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GOING IT ALONE.

Steel Corporation's Lake Fleet Will Not Affiliate With Lake Carriers' Association.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The announcement that the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, comprising the fleet of the United States Steel Corporation, will not affiliate with the Lake Carriers' association appears to put a big obstacle in the way of the corporation which it is proposed to form under the laws of Maine. Not only will the Pittsburgh company be outside of the association, but it will also fail to include the fleets of the ore mining companies which sail the lakes. With this opposition the association will find it difficult to maintain its organization or to fix and hold rates. Conservative vessel men think they see failure ahead for the association on this account.

VANDERBILT FACES FINAL DECISION

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The physicians who are attending Cornelius Vanderbilt, who has been ill with typhoid fever for three weeks, are of the opinion that if their patient lives through the night he has an excellent chance of recovery.

Sentenced to Death.

UPPER SANDUSKY, Dec. 22.—Philip Nagel, convicted of murdering William C. Wade, was this afternoon sentenced by Judge Tobias to be electrocuted on April 15.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Weedon Grossmith in "The Night of the Party," 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—The Xmas Pantomime, "Little Red Riding Hood," 2 and 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"A Rarred Hero," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Irwin Fox and Xmas Vaudeville, 2 and 8 p. m.

EMPIRE—"The Major and the Judge," musical comedy, 8:15 p. m.

ACADEMY—The Brigadier Burlesquers, 2 and 8p. m.

AVENUE—Marcel's pictures and a holiday vaudeville bill; continuous performance from 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.

MOORE IS OUT AND HAYS HAS BEEN OFFERED

Citizens Ask Democrats to Accept Sixth Ward Man for Recorder.

HIS SELECTION IS NOT AT ALL LIKELY

Possibility of a Three-Cornered Fight Is Greater Now Than Ever.

OTHER MEN SUGGESTED

Harry Moore has been withdrawn as a candidate for recorder and the Citizens conferees have suggested William B. Hays. The Democrats have requested that they be given until 3 o'clock this afternoon to consider him. It is probable that they will refuse to accept Mr. Hays. The possibility of three nominees for recorder being placed in the field is greater now than it has been any time during the discussion of the recordership.

The probability of a three-cornered fight is hinted at in a reply made by Mr. Hays last night to the question as to whether or not he would be a candidate if the Democrats refused to indorse him. He said:

"I don't know about that now."

Thomas S. Bigelow declined to discuss that phase of the question.

George H. Stengel, register-elect, says that the Democrats, in his opinion, have about decided that the Democratic city convention should nominate Dr. Cadwalader Evans for recorder regardless of what the Citizens do. He also thinks that the Democratic conferees should be discharged. There is a probability that the conferees will be dismissed and the question of fusion left to the city convention.

Moore Was Ready to Quit.

Early in the day it was certain that Harry Moore was out of the running. He saw the handwriting on the wall and said that he was ready to step aside. Mr. Bigelow was besieged with callers all day, some telling him that Mr. Moore would not do and others urging him to stand by the South Sider. The Democratic leaders were also busy building higher the barriers against Mr. Moore.

During the afternoon Col. J. M. Guffey and George W. Guthrie held a long conference. Later W. J. Brennen was called in. When the gentlemen parted they were all of one mind. They were opposed to the nomination of Mr. Moore or any other man who did not measure up to their standard of a candidate for recorder. They said that they wanted a big man who would be absolutely free to administer the affairs of the office and were not particular as to his political affiliations.

The joint meeting of the conferees was fixed for 5 o'clock. During the afternoon there were whispers that the Citizen representatives would present Mr. Hays as their candidate. As late as 4 o'clock one of the Citizen conferees denied that this would be done, saying that it would be a mistake. It was done, however, and the Democrats were told that he was the unanimous choice of the Citizen conferees.

Bigelow Withdrew Moore.

When the conferees met at Citizens headquarters there was a private conference preceding the joint gathering. When the representatives of both parties had gone into session, Mr. Bigelow moved to reconsider the vote placing Mr. Moore before the conference. This was agreed to and the name of the South Sider withdrawn. Mr. Hays was then presented as the unanimous choice of the Citizens.

W. J. Brennen presented the names of William B. Rodgers and Dr. Evans. James A. Clark offered George W. Guthrie and Dr. George McNeil. Mr. Brennen said that the Democrats wanted to know if the Citizens had anything else to offer. He was told that the Citizens desired the nomination of Mr. Hays. Mr. Brennen asked for an adjournment until 3 o'clock this afternoon. This was agreed to.

Mr. Bigelow thinks that the Democrats will agree to Mr. Hays, and that he will be nominated and elected. For publication the Democrats are not saying what they will do, but the indications do not point to an acceptance of Mr. Hays. The possibility of the Democrats referring the whole question of fusion to their convention is strong. Messrs. Guffey and Guthrie have not changed their attitude.

Committee in Secret Session.

There was a secret meeting of the Citizens party city committee last night. In the past this body has met with open doors. On this occasion the public was not allowed to get to the part of the building in which the committee was meeting. There was a guard placed at the head of the stairs to prevent non-members from approaching the tightly closed doors of the committee room.

At the conclusion of the private session it was announced that Mr. Bigelow had informed the committee that the conferees had withdrawn Mr. Moore. Nothing was said about the presentation of Mr. Hays. It was supposed that the secret meeting had been for the purpose of enabling the committee to discuss the advisability of nominating Mr. Hays. The committee will meet tonight to nominate Mr. Hays, if the Democratic conferees agree to his selection.

At the city committee meeting a set of rules was adopted. A week ago Dr. Cadwalader Evans had offered a draft of rules providing that the Citizens should hold primaries. These were set aside and the following adopted:

Resolved, That the district organizations in Pittsburgh are authorized to nominate and certify to the ward committee nominations of candidates for the various election and precinct officers.

Resolved, That the ward organizations are authorized to nominate candidates for all ward offices, and certify to the central committee all nominations of candidates for all ward and district offices.

Resolved, That in wards where there are more than one school district, candidates for school directors shall be nominated by the members of the ward committee residing in the district or parts thereof composing the respective school districts, and such nominations shall be certified to the ward committee.

Resolved, That all contests or disagreements arising from any nominations in any ward or election district therein, shall be referred to and decided by a committee on contests, composed of five members from the central committee, which contest committee shall be appointed by the chair.

Resolved, That all nominations above referred to shall be made and certified to the central committee on or before the 6th day of January, 1903.

RIVER PACKETS HEAVILY FREIGHTED WITH CHRISTMAS CHEER

(Photographed by a Staff Photographer of The Gazette.)

Lively Scenes On the Monongahela Wharf Upon the Arrival of Vast Quantities of Poultry.

Twenty-two hundred coops of poultry, containing 25,000 live turkeys, in addition to 100 tons of dressed ones and many coops of chickens, ducks and geese, were unloaded on the Monongahela wharf yesterday by the packets Keystone State, Kanawha and Ben Hur. The market for the shipment could not have been better, as live turkeys brought 16 cents a pound, dressed 22 cents and chickens 13 cents.

Dealers fought each other in order to get an opportunity to buy. From 3 o'clock yesterday morning until noon some of the boats were engaged in unloading their consignments. The Kanawha, Capt. W. E. Roe, brought the banner shipment, and it is doubtful if a larger cargo of poultry than that landed in Pittsburgh yesterday was ever brought by river steamers in a single day. This large shipment is attributed in a measure to the failure of packets to reach Pittsburgh Thanksgiving week on account of low water. Consequently a large number of farmers and poultrymen held their stock for the Christmas holiday, which resulted in enormous receipts.

At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon there was not a dozen filled turkey coops on the wharf, nearly all, including the dressed poultry, having been sold. Some very fine stock was brought by the river, and hundreds of wagons engaged in hauling the consignment away. It was a great day for the poultrymen, who made the best of the situation and plenty of money, by reason of the prevailing high prices.

ALLIES SEND JOINT NOTES TO UNCLE SAM

Formal Request for Arbitration in Hands of Our Ambassadors.

PRESIDENT'S REPLY IS PROBLEMATICAL

Long Conference Held at White House Between Executive and Hay.

BLOCKADE LINE QUIET

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

Berlin, Dec. 22.—The notes of Germany and Great Britain formally inviting President Roosevelt to act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan dispute were handed to the United States ambassador here and to the United States charge d'affaires in London today.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—President Roosevelt has not accepted the position of arbitrator of the Venezuelan controversy. When the official day closed he had not received officially a request from the European powers that he act as arbitrator of the dispute. These statements are made on the highest authority.

In an informal manner the president has been notified that the European powers concerned in the present difficulty desire that he should undertake the responsibility of acting as arbitrator. Thus far they merely have been taking "soundings," with a view, probably, of ascertaining how he would receive a formal proffer to act as arbitrator. The president, so soon as he received the first intimation that he was desired to be arbitrator, expressed his judgment that the matters to be arbitrated should be referred to The Hague tribunal. His views of the suggestions made have been conveyed to the European powers, together with a presentation of his reasons for the view he holds. No response of a formal nature to these representations has been received.

Conference With Hay.

The president and Secretary Hay had a long conference today after the former's return from his Virginia trip. They carefully went over the situation as it had developed since Saturday, but it is understood nothing has arisen during the past 48 hours to warrant the president in changing his opinion as, to the undesirability of his acceptance of the position of arbitrator.

So far as can be learned, no specific reasons have been advanced by the European powers for objecting to a reference of the Venezuelan questions to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. It is held by the administration that the tribunal at The Hague was constituted to arbitrate just such controversies as that which has arisen between Venezuela and the powers, and that it would be desirable from every viewpoint that the present dispute should go to that tribunal for adjudication. How strong the objections which Great Britain, Germany and Italy have to a reference of the Venezuelan difficulty to The Hague tribunal is not known to the administration. Even the nature of the objections, if there be any, is not known. The negotiations looking to the selection of an arbitrator have not progressed sufficiently yet to develop such objections as the powers may have.

The acceptance by the powers of the principle of arbitration as applied to the Venezuelan question is a matter of great

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N. Y. C. & H. R. R. MAN COMES TO THIS CITY

Accepts an Important Position With the Pressed Steel Car Company.

A. M. Waitt, superintendent of motive power and equipment of the New York Central & Hudson River railroad, according to Chicago advices, has resigned that position, effective January 1, at which time he will enter the service of the Pressed Steel Car Company at Pittsburgh. Mr. Waitt is one of the best known mechanical railway officials in the United States. Many of Mr. Waitt's friends will probably regret his leaving

J. F. DEEMS.

railway service, although it is true that in his new position he will be closely identified with the same work. J. F. Deems, who since early this year has been in charge of the Schenectady works of the American Locomotive Company, has been appointed superintendent of motive power and rolling stock of the New York Central & Hudson River railroad to succeed Mr. Waitt. Mr. Deems, previous to his connection with the American Locomotive Company, was superintendent of motive power of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, having started as a machinist and worked his way up to the head of the mechanical department of that road. Mr. Deems is a native of Washington county, Pa.

REBELS VICTORIOUS.

Acre Country in South America Is Fighting Change of Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Senor Jorge E. Zallis, the charge d'affairs of the Bolivian legation in Washington, today received from the legation of that country in London a dispatch announcing that Mr. Nicholas Suarez, who is at the head of a force of men, had defeated revolutionists at Bahia and Nazareth on the Acre river. The dispatch also said that Mr. Suarez is advancing triumphantly toward Port Alonzo. The latter place is the Bolivian custom house on the boundary line between Bolivia and Brazil, where the garrison of the former country was at last accounts besieged by the revolutionists.

The Acre country is owned by an Anglo-American syndicate and is rich in rubber production. The revolutionists have sought to make an independent republic of it, with a view, it is said, of securing annexation to Brazil.

The government of Bolivia has dispatched a force of 750 men from La Paz to quell the revolution.

DEATH INTERRUPTS LETTER TO MOTHER

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—While writing a letter of Christmas good cheer to his mother, Harrison S. Potter, a crippled young man from St. Joseph, Mich., went to a window at the Great Northern hotel this afternoon to get a breath of fresh air. He fell 12 stories to the stone pavement below and was picked up mangled and dead. The last lines to his mother were, "I just hit my head such a smash on the door I will have to lay off writing a minute or so."

DR. J. B. CROMBIE GROUND TO DEATH

Another Victim of Washington Avenue Railroad Crossing.

EAGER TO GET HOME

Dr. J. B. Crombie, one of the most widely known practicing physicians in this vicinity, was instantly killed yesterday evening at the Washington avenue crossing of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago railroad, in Allegheny. The accident occurred at 6:30 and was witnessed by scores of people who were awaiting the raising of the gates at the crossing. Dr. Crombie's death was the result of his eagerness to get home. The safety gates were down and a large number of people stood at both sides of the street while a freight train passed. Dr. Crombie in his hurry walked under the gates and, going behind the last car of the passing freight, walked directly in front of the Alliance accommodation going west. He was struck by the engine and thrown high in the air. His skull was fractured and he was dead when picked up.

Several persons in the crowd that saw the accident recognized Dr. Crombie, and Dr. H. L. Voigt of Monterey street, a lifelong friend of the dead man, was telephoned to. The body of Dr. Crombie was carried into George Blackstock, Jr.'s, restaurant. Dr. Voigt arrived in a few minutes and pronounced his friend dead. The body was taken to Sampson's in Sixth avenue.

Dr. J. B. Crombie has for the past 20 years been one of the leading physicians of Allegheny. He was born in West Elizabeth in 1857 and was graduated from the Baltimore Medical college in 1881. For two years following his graduation Dr. Crombie practiced in Rochester, Pa., but came to Allegheny in 1883, establishing himself in Monterey street, where he lived until two years ago, when he moved to North avenue and Resaca street. During the years of his residence in Allegheny Dr. Crombie built up a remarkably large practice and was very successful. For many years he was one of the consulting physicians of the Allegheny General hospital and was present when any especially delicate surgical operation was to be performed.

Dr. Crombie was an unusually shrewd business man and in his busy career found time to engage in numerous business enterprises. During recent years he had accumulated a considerable fortune in successful ventures. For many years Dr. Crombie had been a member of Emmanuel Episcopal church of Allegheny, and was a member of Ionic lodge, F. and A. M. of Allegheny.

Dr. Crombie had left his home less than half an hour before he met his death, stopping at W. G. Minnick's drug store in Monterey street to have a prescription filled. After stopping at a house in Fremont street, he made a call in Washington avenue, and was hurrying home to take dinner with his family when he made the fatal misstep that cost him his life. He is survived by his wife and two small children, Jean, aged 10, and John, aged 6 years.

M'GOVERN TAKES AN ICY PLUNGE

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Terry McGovern, who is doing his training at Lake Side inn, near Mt. Clemens, while taking his daily sail on Lake St. Clair ice today narrowly escaped drowning. Terry was at the helm of an ice boat, and when a stretch of open water appeared he failed to steer around it. The party reached the hotel half frozen.

Cable Steadily Progressing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The following message was received by the Associated Press from the cable steamer Silvertown, dated at noon today: "Last 24 hours, 211 knots; total cable paid out, 1,480 knots. Weather heavily overcast, fresh southerly breeze."

NEW RECORDS MADE BY STEEDS OF STEEL IN SPEED RIVALRY.

Inspired by the great rivalry that exists between America's standard railroads, two remarkably fast runs were made yesterday by the "Pennsylvania Special" and the "Twentieth Century Limited." Both of these are 20-hour trains between New York and Chicago. The first is on the Pennsylvania and the second on the New York Central-Lake Shore, the Vanderbilt line.

Between Toledo and Elkhart the Twentieth Century Limited ran 134 miles in 127 minutes.

Between Ft. Wayne and Chicago, on the Ft. Wayne, the Pennsylvania Special ran 131 miles in 123 minutes.

The run of the Pennsylvania was therefore three miles shorter and four minutes faster than the Vanderbilt run.

The average time required to cover one mile was 56.85 seconds on the Lake Short and 56.33 on the Pennsylvania. The added difference of three miles at the end of the run makes the records of the trains almost equal.

For long-continued runs yesterday's holds the record on the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh. Part of the Lake Shore run was made in a dense fog. The Twentieth Century was one hour and 37 minutes late out of Toledo and made up 30 minutes between that city and Elkhart.

The tracks over which these two streaks of lightning passed are nearly equal in quality and have no superiors in the country in perfection of roadbed. The Pennsylvania grades, however, are somewhat heavier than those of the Lake Shore.

All this fast time is believed by those close to the powers to be significant of a still greater tightening up of the New York-Chicago schedule on these crack limiteds. There are many rumors of 18-hour trains and the announcement of their initiation would cause little surprise.

COLD KEEPS CARNEGIE AWAY FROM BANQUET

Feasters Cheer His Name, Drink His Health and Praise His Work.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Herald Building, Herald Square, NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

Andrew Carnegie's absence from the banquet of the New England society tonight was deplored by the banqueters. The affair was held at the Waldof-Astoria and Mr. Carnegie was to have responded to the toast "Scotland and New England in Fact and Deed," but it was announced that the philanthropist was suffering from a severe cold which he had contracted at the Grant funeral on Sunday and was compelled to remain at home.

Edmund Clarence Stedman, who presided at the dinner, said all were sorry Mr. Carnegie could not be there, as, against the advice of physicians he had hastened his voyage to this country in order to dine with the New England society. The company rose to its feet, gave three cheers for Mr. Carnegie and drank his health. Mr. Stedman and Senator Depew referred to the noble work of the ironmaster has done in the distribution of his wealth.

At Mr. Carnegie's house tonight it was said he had not entirely recovered from the attack of illness he had in England.

RESCUED SEAMEN REACH PORT SAFELY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Saved from what seemed certain death by the bravery of the officers and crew of the British steamship Neapolitan Prince, from Mediterranean ports, Capt. Charles Lovdahl and 16 members of the crew of the Norwegian bark Bayard were brought here today. Captain Adamson, of the steamship, told of the rescue when the liner reached Quarantine this afternoon with 688 steerage passengers, besides the succored Norwegians.

KEYSTONE CAPITAL IN SUNNY TENNESSEE

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—A Chattanooga special says Pennsylvania capitalists have purchased 6,000 acres of coal land near the Clear Creek Company's mines at Isoline, Tenn. W. H. Dunn, representing the purchasers, states that his people have at their command over $1,000,000 and that a first-class mining town is to be built.

FORTUNE IN GEMS SECURED BY THIEVES

LONDON, Dec. 22.—(Special Cable.)—Another big jewelry robbery on a train between Paris and London has upset society. The countess of Carnarvon was robbed of about $25,000 worth of her jewelry while on the way from Paris to London on Sunday. So far no trace of the thieves has been found.

UNION BRIDGE WILL BE RAISED 35 FEET

Capt. Sibert's Report Said to Have Been Recommended to War Department.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.

Assistant Secretary of War Sanger has now before him the report and recommendations of Capt. Sibert in the matter of raising the Union bridge across the Allegheny river. It is the rule of the war department not to give out for publication the recommendations until official action has been taken, but, without anticipating the decision, it may be stated that the probability is the bridge will be raised about 35 feet, which will bring it 70 feet above the low water line.

The company owning the Union bridge is said to regard raising it in an unfavorable light as it would virtually require a new structure. A public hearing on the question of raising the Sixth street bridge will be given on or about January 6 next before Capt. Sibert. The hearings which have been held had reference solely to the Union bridge. One case at a time is considered. Later on hearings may be given with reference to the Seventh street, Ninth street and Fort Wayne bridges. L. W. STRAYER.

SCHWAB DOESN'T PLAY.

Although Staying at Monte Carlo, He Avoids the Allurements of the Gaming Table.

MONTE CARLO, Dec. 22.—(Special Cable.)—Charles M. Schwab continues living quietly with his family. He now and then passes 48 hours alone on the yacht Margarita and then returns for a day or two to his hotel. He very rarely uses his automobile. His health is a little better now.

Mr. Schwab has not yet been near the Casino and very probably will not go there, partly because it might be bad for him and also on account of the ridiculous fuss the American papers made about his playing last year.

GERMAN ELECTRICAL COMPANIES COMBINE

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—The Allgemeine Elektricitaets Gesellschaft with $22,125,000 capital in bonds and the Union Elektricitaets Gesellschaft, having $85,000,000 capital, have reached an agreement amounting to a practical consolidation, the directors of each being elected members of the board of the other, so that the management is identical though the companies nominally remain separate. The step is the result of the crisis in the German electrical industry. The technical manager of the combine is an American, Mr. Magee.

PITTSBURGH PHYSICIAN IS READY TO AID

Laura Biggar Asks Dr. Irwin to Help Defend Her Good Name.

WILL CONTRADICT MISS MARY DISKIN

Former Maid Makes Serious Charges Against the Actress' Character.

SEARCH FOR WITNESSES

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 22.—Laura Biggar will have an opportunity to deny in detail at the opening of court tomorrow morning testimony that on various occasions she was guilty of immoral conduct with Dr. Hendricks and three other men named. Attorneys for the defense and prosecution will then sum up.

Judge Heisley will deliver his charge and the case will then go to the jury. As near as can be estimated tonight this will be about 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Most important in its direct bearing on the case in testimony today was that of William T. Keogh, manager of the New Star theater in New York,

Mary Diskin.

who was Henry M. Bennett's partner for five years in the management of the old Star theater. He testified positively that on the Sunday night, January 2, 1898, when Miss Biggar says she and Bennett were married in Hoboken by Samuel Stanton, Bennett was with him at the theater; that after the performance he and Bennett went to the Marlborough hotel, where they had a suite of apartments together, sat in the cafe for a while and then went to bed. His reason for feeling so certain on this point he said was that on this Sunday night in question George Thatcher was one of the performers in a concert at the Star theater and had an assistant purporting to be one of the audience who was placed in Bennett's private box. Thatcher directed the attention of the audience to this box in which Bennett was also sitting and caused the latter considerable annoyance.

Mr. Keogh said he had looked up the records of the theater and found that

George Thatcher never had taken part in a Sunday night concert there except on this occasion. This evidence, if convincing to the jury, would be the strongest link in the chain brought by the prosecution, as it would prove a positive alibi for Bennett on the night when the actress declares he married her.

But far more sensational was the evidence of Mary Diskin, for several years Miss Biggar's maid. She said that on various occasions her mistress had entered into improper relations with men. Most of what she related is not fit for publication. First of all she denied the statement of the actress that she had been discharged for stealing $20. She related in detail the circumstances of her finding her former mistress with two members of the same company, once in a Pittsburgh hotel and once on a sleeping car. She also named a prominent Pittsburgh physician in this connection. On cross-examination she was bitterly assailed by the defense, but stuck to her story. There was an extended argument on the admission of testimony along this line, but Judge Heisley allowed it to be put in on the ground that as Miss Biggar had maintained she had been a true and devoted wife to Bennett, it was fair to allow the prosecution to put in evidence tending to disprove such a state of affairs.

Has Little Faith in Women.

Judge Heisley, however, gravely informed the jury that somewhere in the universe there may be a wife who does not deceive her husband in at last some little details, carrying the implication that if so he never had met her. This bit of philosophy was uttered in the course of a refusal on his part to admit a letter in evidence said to have been written by Miss Biggar to Dr. Colin McDouall of No. 54 West Forty-fourth street, New York city.

Miss Diskin was closely questioned as to her connection with the case. It is known that the defense was anxious to obtain her services as a witness, and that the fact of her testifying against Miss Biggar is taken by the actress as an instance of base ingratitude for many favors bestowed in the past. She told of having arrived here from Pittsburgh, where she is employed as an extra woman about the theaters, on Thursday morning and her leaving here the same afternoon for New York, returning here this afternoon.

Immediately on the adjournment of court this afternoon all possible efforts were made by the defense to reach the men named by Miss Diskin as having been intimate with Miss Biggar. The actress herself called up one of the men named in court, Dr. J. Kennedy Irwin of Pittsburgh, at his home. He told her over the telephone that it would be impossible for him to leave Pittsburgh for Freehold tonight, because of a dying patient, but agreed to telegraph Judge Heisley that he would surely be here on Wednesday, if that was not too late, to swear that the accusations of Miss Diskin are untrue.

Hunting for Witnesses.

Efforts are also being made through the Actors' association in New York to learn the whereabouts of an actor named Milton and another named Paul Everton, but so far they have been unsuccessful.

Equally sensational and damaging to Miss Biggar's case, if believed by the jury, was the testimony of Miss Josephine Lane, who was at first a patient and later an employe in Dr. Hendricks' sanitarium last spring. She declared that the actress' room at the sanitarium was in the rear of Hendricks' office, and that frequently they had occupied it together. On cross-examination she contradicted herself several times, but stuck to the main points of her story.

Dr. Colin McDouall of No. 54 West Forty-fourth street, New York, testified that operations he had performed on Miss Biggar absolutely precluded the possibility of her having had a child on July 30 as she declares. He admitted having a claim of $18,450 against the estate.

Dr. Frederick A. Lyons of 54 West Sixty-third street, New York, gave similar evidence.

John F. Hawkins of Asbury Park, one of the executors of the Bennett estate, swore that Miss Biggar had said in his presence that Bennett never would marry any woman, and that there was no room for her name on his tombstone.

Miss Biggar Self-Contained.

Miss Biggar, who was on the witness stand again for several hours today, was much more self-contained than when she testified on Friday. She branded the letter written to her by Hendricks, in which he addressed her as "mamma" and asked after the kitten as too silly for comment. When she was asked as to her relations with several men, her attorneys protested hotly, but in vain.

"It is monstrous," declared Mr. McDermott, "to bring in such a charge as this on the last day of the trial without the slightest warning; it is a more serious charge than the one for which our client was indicted."

Asked whether he was expected to produce the men with whom the actress is alleged to have been intimate, Mr. Wilson for the prosecution said he would not do so, but would prove the charges true by other witnesses.

"Of course the men themselves won't be here to testify to any such conduct," broke in Judge Heisley. "If they did, they ought to be put in an asylum."

Miss Biggar denied any undue intimacy with the men named. As showing her self-control today, one of her replies is interesting.

"Did Mrs. McClure, before she came, sleep in the same room with you?" she was asked.

"How could she before she came?" was the quick reply, at which even Judge Heisley had to smile.

McDouall Contradicted.

She denied that she had ever told Dr. McDouall that Bennett would not marry her or any woman, and that, besides, she wanted to "have her fling." It was one of the most trying cross-examinations a woman witness was ever compelled to undergo. With the testimony practically all in, both sides express great confidence of success, and both declare themselves fearful of a disagreement.

Joseph M. Noonan and Aaron Johnson will sum up for the defense and Edmund Wilcox for the prosecution.

Pensions Granted.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Pennsylvania pensions were granted today as follows: Henry N. Kirkpatrick, Pittsburgh, $8; Margaret E. Sheffler, Pittsburgh, $12; William Brooks, Allegheny, $10; William Allen, Sewickley, $8; Thomas A. Braden, New Brighton, $12; John Tarr, Gosford, $8; William H. Potter, Platea, $10; George Carney, New Castle, $17; Eva C. Hammet, widow, New Castle, $12; Granzella N. Stalker, Woodcock, $8; Elizabeth Smith, Washington, $12.

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SPEAKEASY PROPRIETORS ARE INDICTED

Not for Selling Liquor, but for Rowdyism at the Polls.

GANG OF ROWDIES ASSAULTED VOTERS

Superintendent John McAleese Says All the Dives Will Be Closed.

WILL MUST GET TO WORK

The Pittsburgh police officials, despite the exposure by The Gazette, persist in protecting thugs, gamblers and other traffickers in illicit trade. The cloak furnished by the police is given as a recompence for work done at the recent election.

The respectable people of the city are the sufferers. Men belonging to the lowest criminal class are encouraged in their vicious pursuits by those who are trusted to preserve peace and public welfare. "Peasy" Richardson and "Honey" O'Neil, whose notorious dives at No. 227 and No. 231 Diamond street were exposed by The Gazette, in running their resorts in the face of the police were simply enjoying the fruits that had been promised in return for their bullying tactics at the polls in the Second district of the Third ward at the November election.

Richardson and William Dunn, a well-known character, who makes his headquarters at the "Arcade," last week were indicted jointly on a charge of assault and battery on C. G. Sauermilch of No. 235 Diamond street. Dunn has also been held on the charge of the larceny of a tax receipt.

Bouncers at the Polls.

Richardson and Dunn were the ringleaders of a crowd of roughs who were employed around the polls in the corridor of City hall, the voting place in the Second district of the Third ward. The prime motive in having the men there was to interfere with the voting of reputable citizens, and the "bouncers" were kept busy with their work of bulldozing honest voters. There was no interference by the police, although assaults were made on a number of men. One of the toughs, it is alleged, was armed with a handybilly and directed the fight against every man who entered the building. Only men who were "fixed" were allowed to vote unmolested. Half a dozen prominent men of the ward were ejected from the polling place without cause.

One of the schemes in the Third ward to make votes for the "organization" was to register fictitious names and give them residences in the big office buildings. Mr. Sauermilch, was suspected of knowing the details of this plan and his appearance at City hall caused consternation among the perpetrators of the fraud. Richardson was given his orders and his heelers at once surrounded Sauermilch. Two or three other men were refused the right to vote and Sauermilch told the election officers that this was not fair.

Knocked Down and Thrown Out.

Instantly he was seized by the crowd of bullies. He was struck several times over the face and knocked down. Before any effort could be made to resent the attack he was pounced upon again and thrown from the building.

Nearly a dozen roughs were in the attacking party, but Richardson, Dunn and Patrick Collins were the only ones recognized. An information was made before Alderman James R. Connor charging the trio with assault and battery, and at their hearing on November 13 Dunn and Richardson were held for court. True bills were found against Dunn and Richardson and their case will be called for trial in criminal counrt within 10 days.

The charge of larceny against Dunn was made by Emil Kupfer, of No. 427 Diamond street. Kupfer says that when he went to the polls he was accosted by Dunn, who asked for his tax receipt. Kupfer produced the paper and Dunn, he alleges, snatched it from his hand and gave him a blank piece of paper in return. The crowd of thugs then attacked him on the ground that he was attempting to vote on a fraudulent tax receipt. Dunn was arraigned before Alderman Connor on November 11 and held for court. Bail in $500 was furnished for the men by Alderman S. J. Toole of the First ward.

It is also charged that Richardson and Dunn were members of the crowd of roughs that stoned the Syrian restaurant in the Diamond early in November.

Promises to Close Speakeasies.

Superintendent of Police John McAleese made a declaration yesterday promising to close the protected speakeasies and gambling houses in Pittsburgh. Similar declarations were made by Supt. McAleese last summer, but the promises were not kept. At that time he said the protected vice of Pittsburgh would have to be suppressed or he would resign his position. In spite of this declaration, speakeasies and gambling houses continued to run almost under his eyes. No attempt was made to check this vice until the notorious dives, protected by the police, were exposed by The Gazette. Supt. McAleese made another declaration yesterday—that he had ordered Inspector Fred Will to close dives and resorts in the downtown district.

Supt. McAleese had a long conference with Director A. H. Leslie yesterday, and afterward made the following statement.

"Inspector Will has been given orders to close all speakeasies and gambling houses. These places are to be kept closed. He will be responsible and is expected to make every effort to locate these places and shut them up. He is then to make information against the proprietors and prosecute them. If Inspector Will fails to keep these places closed I will take the matter up and do the work myself. Gambling and selling liquor without a license will not be tolerated. Women who have been running speakeasies under the guise of disorderly houses will be closed at once. That I will not tolerate. Disorderly houses are necessary, but the proprietors cannot make speakeasies of them."

Prosecutions to Be Begun.

"The Gazette said yesterday morning that Claudia Welsh's resort and the Independent Rod and Gun club, in Third avenue, were in operation Sunday after they had been exposed, and nothing was done to close them," Supt. McAleese was told.

"Well, they will be closed today," replied the police official. "Claudia Welsh will be prosecuted and Inspector Will will make information against her. Inspector Will has been given a free hand and he is expected to rid the city of these disreputable places."

Supt. McAleese was told that Inspector Will said that he did not know of any resorts such as referred to by The Gazette.

"Oh, I guess they are about and Will must find them," replied Supt. McAleese.

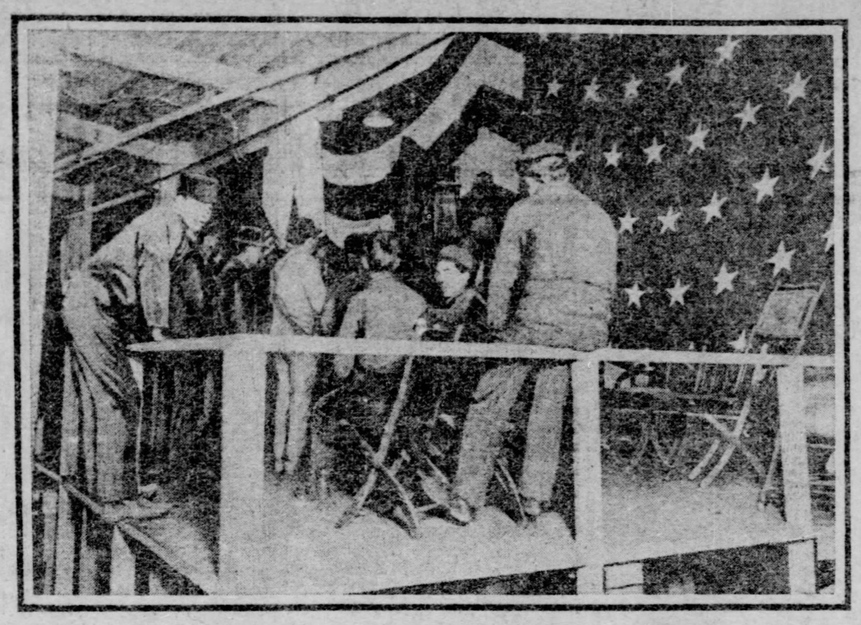
It seems to be the disposition of the bureau of police to close the small dives where no revenue is obtained. The larger places are permitted to keep their doors open.

There is not much faith placed in the ability of Inspector Will by the employes of the safety building. It is not supposed that he will make very strenuous efforts to locate the dives and resorts referred to.

This was mentioned to Supt. McAleese yesterday.

"Well, if Will fails to find these places I will hunt them myself. I mean to have the vice wiped out of the city."

ROBERT PITCAIRN IS HONORED BY MEN WHO WORKED UNDER HIM FOR OVER 36 YEARS



Railroaders Inspect Their Gift Before It Is Formally Presented to Mr. Pitcairn.

"R. P." was the most pleased man on the Pennsylvania system yesterday. As everyone knows or should know "R. P." means Robert Pitcairn, for more than 36 years superintendent of the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania railroad and now resident assistant to the president of that system at Pittsburgh.

Several thousand employes of the Pittsburgh division united yesterday in presenting to the head of the division when nearly all of them entered the Pennsylvania's service a hall clock of the "Grandfather" style, so handsome that none fine enough to suit the tastes of the givers could be found, and a special one had to be made to order. The value of the clock, in money, is close to $2,000, but the cost gives an inadequate idea of the significance of this present.

The presentation was the occasion of considerable formality. It was made in an essentially railroad location, the round-house of the company at Pitcairn. Nearly 1,000 of the men gathered to witness the giving of the token of esteem in the railroad town named for the man thus honored.

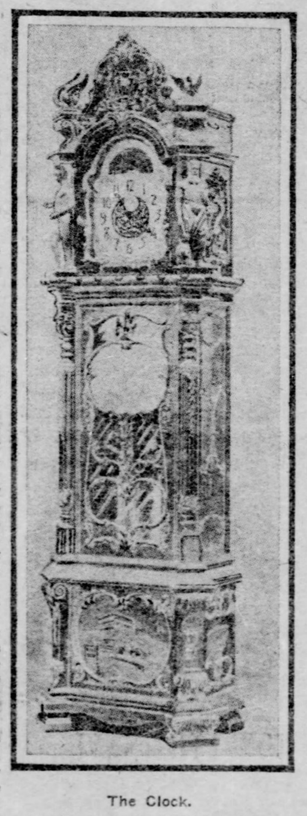
E. E. Ziegler, like "R. P." a veteran in the service, for many years agent of the company at the Duquesne freight station at the Point, made the presentation. Mr. Pitcairn did not trust himself to speak extemporaneously. He had written down his expression of thanks for the remembrance and his good words to the "boys," so that whatever his emotion he could give expression to the feeling inspired by the gift.

The gift is made as a token of the regard of the men at parting with him as superintendent. It has been in preparation for many months, in fact ever since his promotion to his present position was announced early in the present year.

The clock stands full seven feet high. The wood is the handsomest of mahogany. The metal trimmings are of the finest and the clock bears all the artistic finish that the most skilled workmen could give. Above the face is the keystone, with the interwoven letters "P. R. R." carved upon it, and at the base of the clock is a miniature of the Union station, the crowning work of Mr. Pitcairn's last years as superintendent. In the center, on a plate, is carved a long inscription, commemorative of the service of Mr. Pitcairn, his pleasant relations with the employes, his promotion removing him from the superintendency and the purpose of the gift.

In a little booklet prepared for the occasion a half-tone picture of the clock is given, together with the full text of the inscription and the words of the old song, "Auld Lang Syne." As Mr. Pitcairn entered the room the Pitcairn band struck up the air and hundreds of strong voices sang the Scottish air.

The plan to give to Mr. Pitcairn some token of this kind was enthusiastically received from the first. The work of carrying out this wish was conducted skillfully and quietly. Jacob Weidman, special agent now in the Pennsylvania yard service and a veteran, was chairman of the general committee which had charge of the matter, and D. N. Perine, master mechanic of the division, was chairman of the committee which selected the clock.



The Clock.

ALLIES SEND JOINT NOTES TO UNCLE SAM

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gratification to the president and his cabinet. That all the powers have intimated, too, that they would prefer the president should arbitrate the present dispute is taken as a notable compliment to the president personally and to his administration.

While it is recognized by the president's advisers and by the president himself that some unpleasant possibilities might attend his performance of the duties of arbitrator of the pending Venezuelan difficulty, his friends assert that he will shirk no responsibility that he may deem it his duty to undertake, but will accept if the powers should insist on it, though he is very reluctant to do so.

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD, Dec. 22.—Official announcement is made here that Sir Courtenay Knollys, the acting governor, will issue today a special royal gazette containing a declaration of war against Venezuela. This act is one of formality, taken with the intention to legalize the proclamation of the blockade.

To Legalize Hostile Acts.

The Mirror, in an inspired article, says: "All commercial intercourse between the two peoples is interdicted. When hostile vessels capture a neutral, the property on board is not affected. A free ship makes free goods. They may capture the enemy's ships and the enemy's property on board, but they must spare neutral vessels and all goods therein whether belonging to the enemy or to neutrals, and also neutral goods found in the enemy's vessels."

The declaration will have the effect of legalizing the seizure of Venezuelan warships.

Gen. Matos, the leader of Venezuelan revolutionists, who was in Curacao recently, sought an interview with the German Commodore Scheder to discuss Venezuelan affairs. He was referred to the British commodore, Montgomerie, as the senior officer. The latter declined to meet him.

The United States battleship Iowa and the gunboat Scorpion arrived this afternoon.

CARACAS, Dec. 22.—The blockade is proving prejudicial to American trade. Fifteen important houses in Caracas have stopped placing orders in the United States. Boulton & Co. are the only importers of American flour who have declined to increase the price of this article. The people benefit by this firm's action. It is estimated that the food supply in Caracas will not last much more than a fortnight.

Holland Will Stay Out.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 22.—The government of the Netherlands has decided to observe a strictly neutral attitude in the Venezuelan trouble. Ships of the blockading powers will be prohibited from coaling at ports of the Dutch colonies.

Dean of Winchester Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Very Rev. William Richard Wood Stephens, dean of Winchester, is dead.

GAZETTE EXPOSURE AROUSED POLICE

House at No. 440 Third Avenue Is Raided and 17 Persons Arrested.

As a result of the exposures made by The Gazette, the police took a step toward ridding the city of one of the objectionable places early this morning, when Capt. John E. Cramer and Lieut. James McEvoy with a squad of officers raided the house at No. 440 Third avenue.

Claudia Welsh and 17 visitors were arrested and taken to Central police station. The Welsh woman is charged with being the proprietress and the others with being visitors. The specific charge against the Welsh woman is "keeping a disorderly house." The proprietress was released upon placing a forfeit of $105 and five women and six men were released upon each placing a forfeit of $15. There were 11 men and seven women captured in the raid and all will be given hearings this morning at 8 o'clock before Magistrate Bernard McKenna at Central station.

The visitors all gave assumed names at the police station and their addresses as Pittsburgh. Those who came to place forfeits to have their friends released experienced considerable difficulty, as no one knew under what name to ask for the one to be released.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Easton Man Shoots His Son-in-Law and Kills Himself.

EASTON, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Frank Schmidt, aged 62, tonight shot and killed his son-in-law, John Girgan, aged 25. Schmidt then put a bullet in his own brain and died instantly. The shooting took place on the crowded street.

The double tragedy was the outcome of a family quarrel, which resulted in Girgan attacking his father-in-law. Schmit had Girgan arrested and the case was settled before an alderman. After leaving the alderman's office Schmit committed the deed. He was a native of Switzerland and leaves a widow, who is in New York, and three children. Girgan leaves a widow.

Powder Mill Blows Up.

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—One of the mills of the Mahoning Powder Company exploded this morning, demolishing the building. The explosion was terrific, throwing people from their beds, and breaking windows two miles from the plant. Mrs. Ferry, wife of Superintendent Ferry, who lives near the works, was badly cut by fragments of glass from the broken windows, as was also her little child.

ALLIES DETAIN SHIP FROM AMERICAN PORT

Red D Liner Permitted to Proceed to La Guayra After Short Delay.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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WILLEMSTAD, CURACOA, Dec. 22.—The Red D line steamship Caracas, which was detained here today upon advice from the agent at La Guayra not to leave until further instructions, has just received orders to depart for La Guayra. This shows that there will be no objection by the allies to the entrance of the steamship into that port. Another Red D line steamship, the Merida, which is also here and which is bound for Maracaibo, is still detained. The belief is general here that though the blockade has gone into effect there has been no interference with vessels save those flying the Venezuelan flag.

News has been received by the Red D line steamship Zulia from Maracaibo that President Castro has failed in his effort to unite his countrymen against the foreign allies, for the revolutionists have not been liberated. They have been removed from the San Carlos fort, at the entrance of the harbor, to a prison in the town.

Gen. Matos, the leader of the Venezuelan revolution, who is now in this port, said today that the revolution had not been crushed and that it was stronger than ever.

"We have 12,000 men under arms," continued he, "and they are holding strategic points. President Castro has asked Gen. Penalozo Barquisimeto to aid him in this crisis. The general has made no reply to this request.

"We are not fighting at present. Such action would not be patriotic. President Castro has brought Venezuela into this deplorable situation in order to save himself, believing that he could unite the country under the pretext of aggression by foreign powers.

"We will resume the civil war when a settlement with the allied powers has been effected. The best element of the Venezuelan people is with us."

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BURNED WHILE BAKING PIES

Mary Arno's Dress Caught Fire While Cooking for Christmas.

HELPING HER MOTHER

Died Two Hours Later in Great Agony — Bartender's Terrible Death — Policeman's Ghastly Discovery.

While helping her mother bake Christmas pies, Mary Arno, 12 years old, of Frederick street, Allegheny, was badly burned yesterday afternoon and died at her home of her injuries last night. The girl was working about the stove when her clothing caught fire. Her mother threw a blanket about the child and extinguished the flames. The girl suffered greatly.

While walking in South Seventh street yesterday morning Police Officer Terrence Boyle saw a man's head thrust through an attic window of the Hotel Bertha at Seventh and Carson streets. He was bleeding badly and the blood was spattered on the side of the house. Officer Boyle and George Bertha went to the attic and found Max Spoch, 35 years old, a bartender of the hotel, with his head through the window, his throat cut and dead. The wound was not sufficient to cause death and Dr. F. J. A. New was summoned. The physician said that Spoch must have been seized with a hemorrhage, tried to cry out, but could not, then rushed to the window and tried to open it. In his desperation he forced his head through the light and fainted. Spoch had been in this country for 17 years, and had been employed at the hotel for one year.

Broken hearted over the death of her husband, Mrs. William Grattan, 24 years old, is dead at her home in Federal street extension, Allegheny. Mrs. Grattan was married two years ago and had one daughter. Two months ago her husband, a fireman on the West Penn railroad, was killed in the Wittmer wreck with four others. The shock was so great that she was frequently seized with convulsions and her death resulted Sunday night.

A man, supposed to be Frank W. Chester of Monongahela City, who was struck by a train at that place Sunday night, died yesterday morning at the West Penn hospital.

Hattie H. Lenich, 3 years old, died yesterday morning at her home in Center street, West Tarentum, where she was scalded by boiling water, accidentally, last Friday.

James Stock, 40 years old, of No. 13 Ashton street, Allegheny, was instantly killed yesterday while working in the American Locomotive works of that city. Stock was employed on a planing machine. He climbed under the machine to get a lamp and raising his head through an opening on the table was struck by the shaft and killed. He was married and had four children.

Mary Vales, 29 years old, married, was killed by a train at Sloops Ferry, on the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, yesterday morning.

The inquest in the death of Samuel D. Ayers, who was killed while perpetrating a joke on Anthony Bruno in the brick yard of Booth & Flinn on Ruckz hill, December 7, was held yesterday by Coroner McGeary and the jury rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide. Ayers put on a false beard and eye glasses and attempted to frighten Bruno early that morning. The Italian stabbed him over the heart and then effected his escape. Bruno was never captured.

FATALLY BURNED IN LIGHTING CIGARETTE

Mary, the three-year-old daughter of Nathaniel Spinnard, Fourth avenue, Homestead, was probably fatally burned yesterday while attempting to light a cigarette which she found lying on the floor. The child's clothing caught fire and she was burned over the entire body. There is little hope for her recovery.

LOSS REACHES $400,000.

Number of Buildings Are Destroyed by Fire at Knoxville, Tenn. Several Explosions Occur.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 22.—The fire which broke out early today in a four-story building in Commerce avenue, directly opposite the Central fire station, and occupied by the Knoxville Pants Company, caused a loss of $400,000.

In two hours' time the buildings adjoining it in Commerce avenue, occupied by Broyles, McClellan & Lackey, agricultural dealers; David Commission Company, George Brown Hardware Company, in Gay street, Shanklin Grain Company and the P. H. Cattee & Co.'s building, in the same streets.

Brandau & Kennedy, retail clothiers; W. T. Newton, jeweler; the Whittle-Spence Trunk Company, and other retail stores in Gay street, opposite the burning structures, were considerably damaged.

Several explosions occurred in the hardware company's building, scattering bricks and merchandise in every direction, but no one was injured.

The collapse of the hardware company's building saved the business district from a loss of $2,000,000 at least, the flames being easily handled after that big structure had fallen.

Manager McCool Banqueted.

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The first annual banquet given by the employes of the Standard Steel Car Company to P. F. McCool, manager of the works, was given at the Standard hotel tonight. About 100 participated. Mr. McCool was presented a handsome silver punch bowl by Mr. George A. Rees on behalf of the employes. He was also given a diamond and sapphire ring by his office staff, and a diamond shirt stud by the men in the wooden car department.

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Thirty thousand dollars is to be distributed today by the Pittsburgh Railways Company to 2,400 of its motormen and conductors. This is the premium promised to employes as a reward for carefulness in avoiding accidents during the six months ending November 30.

About 80 per cent of the total number of motormen and conductors employed by the company participate in the premium distribution. About 300 of the 2,400 had small accident charges which aggregated less than the amount of their premium hours—and they get the difference. In cases where there was loss of life or property for which the employe was responsible he was discharged, and, of course, does not participate in the premium award. About 80 premiums were wiped out altogether by accident charges.

The money will be paid by checks, distributed by the division superintendents. A special check was adopted for the purpose. It is drawn on the Colonial Trust Company and reads: "Being payment of premium for six months ending November 30, 1902, under provisions of general order No. 43." In addition to his name, the check bears the badge number of each recipient. With the check goes a premium certificate, which many of the men will treasure more than the money, as it will at all times be a recommendation for employment elsewhere should the holder need it.

The payment of the premium money is practically an advance of wages of 1 per cent an hour to all the men participating. This makes the third advance this year. When the Pittsburgh Railways Company was formed almost a year ago, a uniform and graded scale of wages for motormen and conductors, ranging from 20 to 22 cents an hour, was adopted. On June 1 came a raise of 1 cent an hour. The premium money gives men who are in the service of the company three years or more, 24 cents an hour—which is about the highest in the country.

"Owing to the short time allotted to get out the premium checks after December 1, as promised to the men, we have not been able to make a comparative statement and to analyze the effect of the premium system," said President James D. Callery yesterday, "and before ordering the continuance of this system it is probable that some change in basis may be made. This will be decided upon later and the men informed.

"We are trying to get the best men possible for the work. We need several hundred men now—that is, we could give steady employment to that number. Some men, I am told, think it is necessary to have political backing to get a position as motorman or conductor. Nothing of the kind. Any honest man of regular habits can get employment on our cars when he has good recommendations from responsible people. Many of the best men we have come from the country and quickly learn the business without previous experience."

THE WEATHER.

Unless there is a decided change in the temperature locally there will be a "green" Christmas for Pittsburgh and vicinity this year. The Washington weather bureau's report sent out last night predicts cloudy conditions today and fair weather for tomorrow. The temperature yesterday only fell to a minimum of 39 degrees, while the maximum recorded at the local weather office was 41 degrees. The day was generally cloudy and during the morning there was a slight fall of rain.

Cloudy.

The Gazette weather service thermometer at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours registered:

12 noon	40 deg.	8 p. m.	40 deg.
4 p. m.	41 deg.	12 midnight	38 deg.

Time of sunrise today ..... 7:23 a. m.
Time of sunset today ..... 4:37 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by the United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	04	40	70	N.W.	Cloudy
8 p. m.	15	40	80	N.W.	Cloudy

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 22:

	1902	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	41	60	52	61	33	35
Minimum	39	52	34	42	27	26
Mean	24	46	43	52	30	30
Precipitation	..	..	..	..	T.	.31

Maximum temperature (3 p. m.) 41
Minimum temperature (5 a. m.) 39
Mean temperature 40
Normal temperature (for 31 years) 30
Excess in temperature for the day 4
Excess in the temperature since Dec. 1.. 5
Excess in the temperature since Jan. 1.. 201
Normal precipitation (for 31 years) ..... .09
Precipitation for the day ..... T.
Deficiency in precipitation for the day ..... .09
Excess in precipitation since Dec. 1..... .27
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1..4.93

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Cloudy Tuesday, Wednesday, fair; light to fresh north winds, becoming variable.

Ohio—Fair Tuesday; fresh to northwest winds. Wednesday, fair.

West Virginia—Cloudy Tuesday; probably snow in mountain districts. Wednesday, fair.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Cincinnati	40	Rain	New York	44	Cloudy
Parkersb'g	40	Rain	Philadelphia	44	Pt'Cldy
Cairo	38	Cloudy	Buffalo	28	Cloudy
Louisville	40	Cloudy	Cleveland	34	Cloudy
St. Louis	34	Snow	New Orleans	56	Clear
Chicago	34	Cloudy	Jacksonville	66	Clear
O'd Haven	30	Cloudy	Qu'Appelle	32	Clear
Vicksburg	46	Cloudy	Marquette	20	Snow
Washingt'n	44	Cloudy	Huron	4	Clear

TWO TRACTION ACCIDENTS.

Three Persons Injured by the Safety Brake Falling.

A car on the Braddock division of the Pittsburgh Railways Company was thrown from the tracks near Hazelwood avenue and the conductor and two passengers painfully hurt early yesterday morning. The car was descending the grade to Highland station when the rail brake suddenly dropped and lifted the wheels off the rails. Edward McGettigan of Talbot avenue, Braddock, the conductor, was thrown to the floor and badly bruised about the face and body. James Woodside of Homestead, a passenger, was thrown against a window and had his face cut by the broken glass. A woman passenger was also cut and bruised about the head and body. Nearly all the other passengers were thrown from their seats, but none seriously injured. McGettigan and Woodside were taken to their homes and the others resumed their journey.

A car on the Munhall branch of the Pittsburgh Railways Company demolished a delivery wagon owned by Anton Funk, a wholesale liquor dealer of Homestead, yesterday morning. The accident occurred at Munhall. Three men who were on the wagon at the time had narrow escapes from serious injury.

DYNAMITED A HOUSE.

No One Was Hurt, but the Boarders Were Badly Scared.

An attempt was made to blow up a Slavish boarding house in North Canal street, Springdale, on Sunday night, and was successful in knocking a large hole in a corner of the house. Fourteen people were eating supper in the kitchen, but were not hurt, the explosion taking place in the front of the house. Dynamite was used, and the explosion blasted out a hole in the ground six feet in diameter and several feet deep.

John Meterdec, a Slav, conducts the boarding house for his countrymen, who are employed at the American glue works. The havoc creator is supposed to be an employe of the glue works who was superseded by one of the foreigners boarding with Meterdec. The boarders were so terrified that they refused to sleep in the house on Sunday night.

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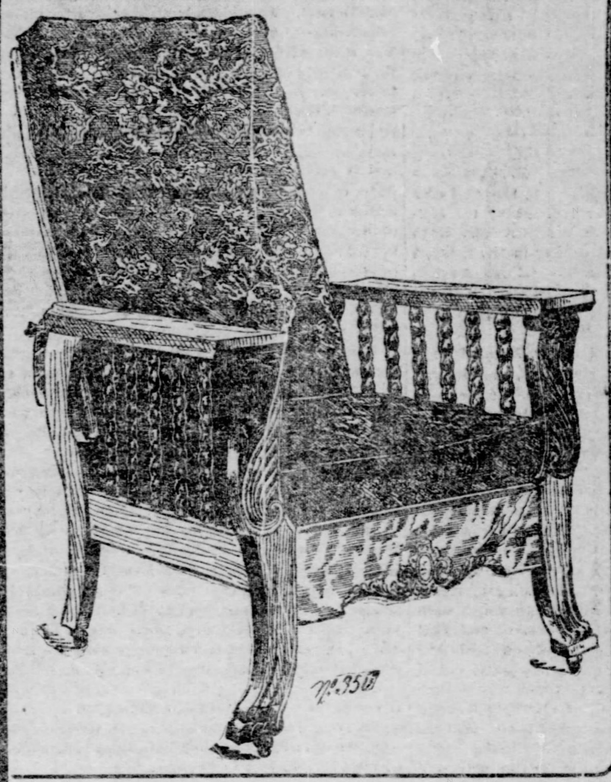

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Youngst'n & Cleve'd Mail	*8:25 am	*5:10 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	†8:25 am	†9:35 pm
Lake Chautqua Fast Line	*12:50 pm	*6:30 pm
Buffalo & Erie Express	†4:20 pm	*6:05 am
Cleveland & Chicago Ex.	*2:30 pm	*1:00 pm
Boston Special	†4:20 pm	*6:05 am
Chic. & Cleveland "Flyer"	*6:00 pm	*11:15 am
Buffalo & Cleveland Ex.	*10:30 pm	*6:05 am
Cl'and & Youngs'n Accom.	†5:25 am	*9:00 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	†6:30 am	†5:35 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	†9:50 am	†6:45 pm
Beaver Falls Accom.	†12:10 pm	†9:30 am
Beaver Falls Accom.	†3:30 pm	†12:40 pm
New Castle Express	†4:20 pm	†7:30 am
Beaver Valley Express	†5:25 pm	†4:15 pm
Fayette City Accom.	†6:10 am	†7:20 am
Fayette C. & N. Haven Ex	*8:00 am	*8:00 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	†11:50 am	†12:40 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	†3:50 pm	†4:50 pm
Fayette City Express	*5:20 pm	*5:40 pm

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Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 1:15 am	* 1:30 am
Tiffin and Toledo	* 1:15 am	* 1:30 am
Indianapolis and St. Louis	* 4:50 am	* 5:20 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 4:50 am	*10:15 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:20 am	* 8:50 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 8:20 am	† 6:35 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 8:20 am	† 1:35 pm
Alliance and Wooster	† 9:40 am	*11:20 pm
Jamestown & Youngstown	* 9:30 am	† 1:20 pm
Ohio Valley Express	* 6:45 am	* 8:35 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7:40 am	* 5:30 pm
Fort Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:50 pm
Tiffin and Toledo	* 7:00 am	† 5:50 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 4:55 pm
E. Liverpool and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	* 6:35 pm
Cleveland Fast Line	* 8:00 am	* 7:40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:00 am	* 5:40 pm
Erie, Mercer and Oil City	* 8:05 am	†10:55 pm
N. Castle and Jamestown	* 8:05 am	* 5:50 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula	* 8:05 am	* 5:50 pm
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Columbus and Chicago	*12:25 pm	* 9:00 pm
Young'n & Jamestown	*12:35 pm	* 8:20 am
N. Castle and Ashtabula	*12:35 pm	* 8:20 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 1:25 pm	* 7:25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Alliance and Crestline	* 1:35 pm	*12:50 pm
New Castle and Erie	* 4:35 pm	* 8:30 pm
Youngstown and Niles	* 4:35 pm	* 8:30 pm
Mercer and Oil City	* 4:35 pm	* 8:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 4:40 pm	† 7:25 pm
Cleveland Special	* 5:00 pm	* 11:20 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 5:10 pm	† 9:10 am
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Chicago Special	* 6:30 pm	* 7:45 am
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 6:00 am
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Indianap., Louis. & St. L.	* 8:15 pm	* 6:50 am
Toledo and Detroit	* 8:15 pm	* 5:50 am
Penna. (Special) Chicago	*10:10 pm	* 6:20 pm
Niagara Falls & N. Castle	†10:20 pm	† 8:30 am
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Leave for Wheeling, †6:45 am, *8:20 am, †11:50 am, 12:30 pm, †3:15 pm.

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One of the arguments by which the councilmen who violated their election pledges to condition franchises by a term limit and a tax upon receipts, is that capital will not invest in a limited franchise. This is bald falsehood. Time limitation upon franchises has long been the general rule abroad and is becoming the general rule in this country. Under the new charter of Baltimore the city council is debarred from granting any franchise for a longer term than twenty-five years. The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel franchise in New York provides for a revaluation every twenty-five years. If a permanent work, involving an expenditure of $50,000,000, finds a limited franchise acceptable, how absurd the contention that it is unjust to an electric lighting company whose chief asset is its franchise to use the streets.

Another argument used by these recreant councilmen is that a gross receipts tax is an unfair handicap upon a new corporation which intends to compete with a concern which pays nothing for its franchises. The fact that applicants for similar privileges are willing to pay five per cent of their gross receipts exposes the absurdity of the argument. The right to use the public streets is so valuable that it will be a very lucrative privilege at that price. The advantage of the company now having the privilege gratis is offset by the fact that the value of the gift has been fully capitalized. A competing concern capitalized upon actual cost will be able to earn a profit at any rate at which the old concern can do business and earn dividends upon its inflated capital account.

The most important point to be considered in the granting of new franchises is the furtherance of the general policy of municipal revenue from this source. It will be hard enough with the best management for the city to regain its rights to compensation for the use of its property heretofore conveyed, and every fresh grant it makes unconditional by terms of compensation will strengthen the resistance to reform in this direction. On the contrary, every new corporation which enters the field making payment for its privileges will intensify the strength of the movement to make all such corporations subject to similar requirements. The suggestion that new corporations should not pay until the old are made to pay means practically that corporation filching of public property shall be perpetual.

The talk of competition by public service corporations is illusory. The rule is that the stage of competition lasts no longer than sufficient to test the comparative strength of the rival concerns, and they adjust their interests either by consolidation or division of territory. The interests back of the City Electric Company have already a division of territory with the Philadelphia Company as regards the supply of natural gas. All that the pending proposition means is that a new set wants to break into the business of exploiting municipal resources for private profit. To ensure real competition the principle of public compensation should be rigidly applied to new concerns, for then there will be an irreconcilable antagonism of interests, at least so long as any company in the field has the free enjoyment of its franchises. It would be pretty hard to consolidate a pay-your-way corporation with a free-grab concern without surrender by the latter of its unjust exemption, and if consolidation should eventually take place it will be upon a basis acknowledging the public equity in the business.

This whole subject of franchise negotiation is very opportune in directing public attention to a weak point in the new charter. Negotiation is not a legislative function and is sure to be mismanaged when handled by the methods of legislative procedure. Hence, under the instruction of costly experience the best forms of municipal government provide that the administrative branch shall negotiate the terms, the bargain then going to the city council for acceptance or rejection. The value of such a charter requirement is shown by the experience of the cities having it. The tunnel franchise which the Pennsylvania railroad is just obtaining in New York city was negotiated by the municipal administration. The object of the railroad is to tunnel the Hudson, so as to obtain a New York city terminus. It asks simply the right to go under ground, takes no city property, except a small section of one street, for which it is to pay its value as real estate, and it proposes to expend $50,000,000 in labor and materials in accomplishing a great public improvement. Yet for the right to make the improvement, altogether at its own expense, without any use of public property, it agrees to pay a yearly fee of $5,000 per mile of track, and at the expiration of twenty-five years agrees that the privilege shall be subjected to fresh valuation. Contrast this with railroad dealings with Pittsburgh in regard to franchises!

New York is so much bigger than Pittsburgh that it may be said that franchise values there afford no criterion of what they should be here. As a matter of fact the comparison is not so unequal as population statistics would indicate, for the Pittsburgh district is second to none in its yield of railroad traffic. The case of Baltimore, a city of less business importance than Pittsburgh, gives as good an illustration of the value of correct procedure. The New York method of franchise negotiation was imitated in the new charter for Baltimore adopted in 1898. The municipal government is debarred from granting any franchise for a longer period than twenty-five years, and before any franchise can be granted it must be referred to a board composed of the president of the second branch of the city council, the mayor, the controller, the city solicitor and the city engineer, who are required "to make diligent inquiry as to the money value of said franchise. * * * * * and no grant thereof by the city council shall be made except for the compensation and on the terms approved by a vote or resolution of the said board, entered upon the minutes or records of such board, and attached to said ordinance." This provision has put an end to franchise grabbing in Baltimore. The city revenue in 1901 from public franchises amounted to $340,591, and it is stated that this year it will amount to $400,000.

THE RECORDERSHIP.

The suggestion of Mr. William B. Hays again disappoints public anticipation as to the kind of a candidate who would be put forward by the Citizens party for the office of recorder. Mr. Hays has been an active, diligent worker in the Citizens movement from the beginning, and his services certainly deserve substantial recognition, but the recognition now proposed is beyond all his expectations, if not his deserts. There is no argument that could be advanced against Mr. Moore that is not just as good against Mr. Hays, and it now looks as if the selection of the next recorder will have to be decided upon the personal merits of the various candidates who may be presented rather than with regard to the organizations behind them.

AUSTIN MAY HAVE AN INNING.

It probably would be safe at this moment to go before Rudyard Kipling, the uncrowned laureate of Merrie England, with a dish of sauer kraut and frankforters in one hand and a bottle of Milwaukee see in the other. For Rudyard has feelings that have displayed themselves in a poem which indicates that his tastes are not German, and that German refreshments are so entirely off his bill of fare that there would be a mixup if anyone got in his way with them. If ever there was a time when Rudyard thought well of anything German he would like to have people forget it and read his latest poem in the London Times. Kipling wants it understood that he has no use for Germany, and it grinds his soul that England and Germany should be in a partnership in which England seems to have the short end. We know just how he feels, for our English cousins are essentially a commercial people and Kipling is boisterously English, and puts it into verse whenever he gets a chance. But he may be premature. While it may appear now that John Bull doesn't stand to get the lion's share, it ought to be pointed out that we don't know what the bargain is or how far the partnership goes, or in how many lands it is to work, and until we do we won't be able to say who has the best of the trade. When John doesn't secure a little more than is coming to him (except when it is a licking), it is because calculations have missed. It may be that he deserves the lambasting he gets from Kipling for the wicked German alliance, but perhaps when all the returns are in there will have to be profound silence and meditation in the Kipling poet's corner, while Alfred Austin proudly munches roggen brodt and limberger in public and blows the froth from a lordly stein as he says "Hoch!" He laughs best who laughs last. Let us wait for the official returns.

SOME RIGHT ASPECTS.

Samuel M. Jones, the "golden rule" mayor of the fair city of Toledo, O., thinks that "Theodore Roosevelt, the man, is greater than the government he represents," and that 'war is inexcusable and killing in battle murder." Mr. Jones so expressed himself before the Chicago Peace society on Sunday. His exaltation of Theodore Roosevelt, the man, he based on the anthracite coal strike settlement, and his declaration concerning war was designed as a reply to Maj. Gen. Young, who spoke in Cleveland the night before. We will go as far as any wholly sane person in exaltation of Theodore, the man, or Theodore Roosevelt, the president—much further than Theodore Roosevelt would indorse, perhaps. But Mayor Jones overlooks facts. He forgets that it was because the president was clothed with the majesty of the government and represented the will of the people, whose government it is, that he was able, as Roosevelt, the man, to bring about the present truce that may develop into a lasting peace in the anthracite coal regions. Roosevelt, the man, when colonel of the First United States Volunteer cavalry, or Roosevelt, the man, when assistant secretary of the navy, or Roosevelt, the man, when governor of New York, or Roosevelt, the man, when president of the United States civil service commission, would have had the same desire to promote industrial peace, but could not have commanded the attention of the disputants as did Roosevelt, the president of the United States. It is because he is president of the people that Roosevelt, the man, was able to make the stiff-necked will of the unwilling bend. He is not "greater than the government he represents," but he does measure up to its greatness and to the greatness of his position, and he is proving it every day. There could be no higher praise of him than to say this. What Mayor Jones said is not praise.

As for war, Mayor Jones also goes wrong in striving to be right. He condemned war in devoting himself to Maj. Gen. Young's plea for an army and navy strong enough to insure that American commerce will not be swept from the seas if some one has the will and feels prepared to attempt the task. Surely it is not asking of the American people more than they would volunteer to be ready for such an emergency. Is it better that our commerce shall be swept away than that we shall fight? Mayor Jones may answer yes, but the American people will answer no. The republic of the United States was born in war because England would not permit it to be born in peace. Would it have been better that it had not been born? Let humanity answer. Would it be better that it die than fight, if necessary, for its right to live? If its commerce is necessary to its life and growth it must die in fight. Which is the proper thing to do?

Mayor Jones doubtless means well, but he does not rise equal to the facts of men and government, or to the requirements of the first law of nature in its application to peoples and nations. The golden rule that has been presumed to be so descriptive of Mr. Jones' course in public affairs as to give him a name and standing peculiarly his own, directs that men do to others as they would have others do to them. It is a good rule for nations, as well as for men. It applies to the other fellows and other nations as well as to us. If they don't do to us as we would do to them it may become necessary to compel them to do so for the good of everybody. If they do to us as we would not do to them and insist on going to an extreme in doing it, it becomes necessary to make them stop that the golden rule may not perish, but prevail. War in defense of the golden rule is not merely excusable, but righteous. That, we think, is Gen. Young's platform; anyhow, it is a good American doctrine. It is a doctrine indorsed by Roosevelt and Mayor Jones can't decently go back on him.

MARCONI'S SUCCESS.

Marconi's success in transmitting messages across the Atlantic without wires marks a great achievement. The improbable—seemingly almost impossible—of a decade ago has been accomplished. The name of Guglielmo Marconi has been written permanently on the scroll of fame among the great inventors. But it does not follow, as some have assumed, that cable and telegraph stocks are about to become valueless. Signor Marconi's isolated stations cannot transmit the intelligence of the world, and it remains to be demonstrated whether two pairs of stations can be operated simultaneously across the Atlantic ocean without interfering with each other. Means have yet to be devised whereby messages can be sent in opposite directions at the same moment by the new system. Until these details are worked out there will be no diminution in the business of the telegraph and cable offices, and it may be noted the Commercial Cable Company is proceeding as calmly with its Pacific ocean project as if Signor Marconi had never been heard of.

There is no reason to anticipate that Marconi's great achievement will interfere in the least with the older companies operating wires and cable. It is more likely his system will be added, or made supplementary, to those in use. It may never prove a substitute for the wire system, though it will certainly be a valuable adjunct to it. It may be worked when the cables are broken either by hostile human agencies or the forces of nature, even if the signals of one station should interfere or mingle with those of another, for all could be silenced except the one most needed. It took many years to bring the telegraph to its present state of utility, including manifold messages over the same wire, passing and repassing in opposite directions. It will require years to reach any such utility with the wireless systems. In the meantime if cables and wires are to be rendered obsolete, they will disappear as gradually as they have been constructed without serious loss to any one.

FUTILE PROMISES.

The exposures made by The Gazette of the police attitude towards vice have again evoked the statement: "Orders have been issued to close those places and to keep them closed." That was the edict months ago when attention was called to conspicuous speakeasies and the operations of the vice syndicate. The phrase is repeated now since The Gazette has exposed three notorious resorts near the business center of the city.

The public does not care a rap what orders are issued to the inspectors and captains of police. It wants to see results. It is anxious to see the joints closed and kept closed—to see the city cleaned and kept clean—just what the officials have been promising for these many months. Of what account are repeated orders when there is nothing done? The continual passing of the problem up to the recorder and director and the passing of it down again to the superintendent, or inspector, or captain, is as idle a proceeding as was ever invented. The public knows there is politics in the toleration of vice and revenue from its nefarious profits. Just where these things connect with the forces provided for the ostensible purpose of preserving peace and order the public does not know, or it would be able to concentrate its protest at that point. The public knows there is a connection somewhere, despite the philandering and promising; and it would be more creditable on the part of the officials to declare their inability to overrule the mysterious power and enforce the law than to continue everlastingly to promise things they never do. Their promises will never again gain credence until fulfillment demands it.

It is impossible to prevent the congestion of the downtown streets, due to the overcrowding of those people bent on business or shopping duties, but the police should scatter the crowd that merely "stand around." There is no street space in busy Pittsburgh for the loafer or the masher.

If that national theater scheme should go through the "rural constituency" would want front row seats in the parquet instead of the usual bunch of spring garden seeds.

The shortest day in the year came on schedule time and a great many Christmas buying papas found that they were shorter even than the day.

If Europe has any more Venezuelan creditors they should push their way up to the box office while the big fellows have him by the throat.

Do not forget that the proverb "It is more blessed to give than to receive" was not coined simply for home use at Christmas time.

Senator Quay is going off to Florida and the people who expected to muss up his Christmas over the statehood bill will have to wait.

In other words, all the parties concerned are ready to have President Roosevelt Santa Claus the situation.

President Nord of Haiti hopes to hold down his job the balance of the year 1902 anyway.

England has been quite rudely Rudyard Kiplinged again.

That National Theater Project.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

If the bill which has been introduced in congress for the establishment of a national theater at Washington looks merely to the incorporation of such an institution under an act of congress it may be unobjectionable, but if it asks for government endowment or support it should receive no consideration. There is no clause in the Constitution under which such an appropriation could be defended, and the people would not approve it.

Wait Till Summer Comes.

From the Philadelphia Press.

An anti-treating crusade has been started at Atlantic City, under the auspices of the Ministerial union and the Woman's Christian Temperance union. The object is a good one. If treating could be stopped many a man would be saved from drunkenness.

Pittsburgh's Speakeasies.

From the Philadelphia Press.

Some of the Pittsburgh newspapers are showing up the speakeasy business in that town, and the police as usual are busy complaining that the newspapers are reflecting upon the good name and reputation of the city.

May Need Them.

From the Washington Star.

Mr. Cannon should carefully preserve all the compliments now being showered upon him. They may be convenient in an argument with some man who resents an adverse decision.

Where Progress Stops.

From the Washington Post.

There is a town down in Tennessee where they are talking of having a Bryan banquet on January 8. But then there are still people who believe that Shakespeare didn't write it.

KING COAL DRIVES THE CHILLS AWAY

New York Has Enough Fuel, the First Time in Many Months.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

For the first time this winter it is officially announced that there is no scarcity of anthracite coal in New York city. The mild weather and the passing away of snow so that transportation is not interfered with has resulted in enough coal being brought into the city to last for two days. If there should be a continuance of favorable weather for a week it is possible that the coal famine will not recur. Nearly 50,000 tons of anthracite were on hand for distribution this morning at the terminals of the coal carrying railroads. This amount represents the coal on hand for which there is no immediate demand, dealers having been supplying their customers steadily for the last few days. There is no reduction in prices, however. In half-ton lots the citizens must pay from $7.50 to $8.50 per ton. If one wants coal in large quantities he will have to pay higher prices, the tendency of coal merchants being to discourage large orders. Whether coal will continue to come into the city in adequate quantities remains to be seen. The average New Yorker is not satisfied so long as there is any restriction on the quantities of coal he is allowed to buy when he has the cash to pay for it. Talk of "speculators" is still heard and there is a strong suspicion that coal is held back in some quarters to wait for the time coming when there will be a cold wave and everybody demanding more fuel than can be obtained in the open market. It is hoped that the warm conditions will last over Christmas so that the poor may not have to face the suffering that always threatens them in cold weather whether there is a general famine or not. Every winter the municipal coal yards, where fuel is given away to poor people on their presenting an order from the poor department, have all they can do to supply the demand and many applicants are compelled to wait a day or two before their order is filled, even at the best of times. This year such an order conveys little more than a distant promise of assistance.

Maj. Gen. Green as Policeman.

Gen. Greene is the name on everyone's tongue as the probable next commissioner of police. Mayor Low is discreetly silent as to his intentions but it is understood that Greene will be the man with the approval of no less a personage than President Roosevelt as well as of Senator Platt and Gov. Odell. Still, with all this, it would not cause extraordinary surprise if the next commissioner were not to be Greene after all, for there are many kinks in such an appointment as this. In connection with police business it is rumored that there will be a general shake-up and that a lot of big men in the department will change positions—generally in the line of promotion.

Remedies for Congestion.

That there must be some change in the dreadful conditions prevailing on the "L" and surface roads in this city is conceded. Indications are that the change will come soon. Gov. Odell has interested himself and if the board of aldermen finds itself unable to compel the transportation companies to give each passenger a seat, the legislature at Albany most likely will take up the matter. The companies have always declared that it would be impossible for them to provide a seat for each passenger, because such a rule would leave many people standing on the stations or at street corners as train after train, and car after car, passed by. One suggestion which may be acted on is that only half fare shall be charged for persons standing in a car. Whether that would have any effect on the crowding, except to make it worse, seems to be above conjecture. At least something is to be done and anyhow the congestion hardly could be much worse than it has been for the last few weeks.

A Gleam of Hope.

In the midst of all the worry and trouble over crowded cars comes a hopeful promise from what should be an authority. Frank Hedley, just appointed superintendent of the Inter-Borough Rapid Transit Company, says the Rapid Transit Subway line will be in operation within eight months. If this promise is carried out it will be such a boon as Manhattan has not enjoyed for many a long and weary year.

Vanderbilt Has Good Chance.

There is a strong hope that Cornelius Vanderbilt will recover from his dangerous illness. The most encouraging bulletin put forth for the last few days came this afternoon when it was said that the patient had not peritonitis, although it had been said that he had. While it is possible that Mr. Vanderbilt may be dead when this is read it is not likely from all that can be learned this evening.

Mascagni Gains Sympathy.

General sentiment along the Rialto is that Pietro Mascagni has been "up against it" more than he deserves. The latest report that he is down with nervous prostration in Chicago and that his western tour has been abandoned was received with many expressions of consideration. The young man made many personal friends while in New York, the sentiment being that he is a good fellow but deucedly unlucky.

No Mercy for Tobin.

Tobin, the man that killed Capt. Craft in a Chinese restaurant a few weeks ago, afterward cutting off his victim's head and trying to burn it in a furnace, was today sentenced to death in the electric chair. The plea of his counsel that he was insane when he committed the deed had no apparent weight with the jury. From a disinterested point of view it looks as if the execution of this murderer may have a deterrent influence upon many Tenderloin thugs who are always ready to commit murder when they see a few dollars in such a crime.

May Miss Christmas Dinner.

It is possible that the jury in the Laura Biggar case will not get the case for deliberation before Christmas eve and that they may have to consider it on Christmas day. The joy of talking over a case in a jury room just abut the time that one expected to sit down to dinner at home on Christmas afternoon may perhaps appeal to this particular jury, but it is hardly likely.

Low Signs Tunnel Bill.

The Pennsylvania railroad tunnel contract bill was signed this afternoon by Mayor Low. The mayor had 10 days in which to legalize the measure with his signature, but he did not wait. He had made up his mind long ago that the franchise should be granted without avoidable delay.

Trolley Car Etiquette.

One of the papers here has a few sensible remarks on the other side of the question as to why politeness is not more general from street car conductors. "L" ticket sellers, clerks in big stores and other persons employed in positions which bring them perpetually into contact with the public. The last paragraph gives a line on the whole editorial. It reads thus: "Be alert. Move quickly. Get out of the way. Have your change ready. Carry your own parcels. Don't ask questions to hear yourself talk." Perhaps some Pittsburghers might study these pithy points advantageously.

No Press Agent's Tale.

Here is a sad thing: "Kid" McCoy, the heavyweight boxer and ostensible owner of a Broadway rathskeller, is wanted by the police on a charge of grand larceny. David Lamar, a Wall street broker, says he gave McCoy a thousand dollar bill in payment for drinks and that the pugilist kept the change, as he jumped into a cab and escaped. Capt. Titus, head of the New York detective bureau, has sent out a general alarm to the police of other cities, directing McCoy's arrest. This, at least, is not likely to be a press agent story.

New Pug. Under Discussion.

Sporting men here seem to think that Jack Munroe, who refused to be "put out" in four rounds by Jeffries in Montana on Saturday night, may yet be champion heavyweight. Little else than the fateful bout in Butte is talked about by "the fancy" tonight. Whether Munroe will ever be matched against Jeff cannot be told at present, but the prevailing sentiment at the corner of Broadway and Forty-second street is that he will.

Jam of Christmas Shoppers.

As Christmas gets nearer the rush at the stores increases until tonight, in districts where it is the Christmas habit to keep open until 10 or 11 o'clock, the turmoil was appalling. Fourteenth street, between Sixth avenue and Broadway, was a solid jam of people on the lower side, while Sixth avenue itself, Twenty-third street and Herald square were almost as bad. One of the great department stores in Herald square closes at 6 o'clock sharp, but Stockton avenue, Allegheny, at 9:30 o'clock last evening. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. S. Edward Young of the Second Presbyterian church. It was strictly a home wedding, and the house was decorated with flowers and Christmas greens. The honeymoon will be spent in the east, after which the young couple will make their home in Grove City. C. C. Lean, a brother of the bride, and his wife, of Chicago, were present at the wedding ceremony.

Jolly Christmas for Bulls.

Amid the interest in Christmas and its joys it is comforting to note that things are booming in Wall street. Stocks have been buoyant for several days and the bulls feel in good enough spirits to enjoy their Christmas fare, whatever may be said of the man on the other side of the market.

Main Issue Forgotten.

Ryan and Donovan had a fight in City hall a week ago and they came near mixing it up again this afternoon. Ryan is a contractor and Donovan is a walking delegate from the Plasterers' union. Ryan ordered Donovan to get out, to which Donovan retorted that it was a public building and that Ryan could not legally put him out. Ryan was about to demonstrate that there might be a difference between "legally" and "physically" and Donovan might have been dropped down the large flight of steps into the middle of City Hall park, had not a policeman interfered. There is a question of unionism involved but it seems as if the two scrappers have lost sight of that in their desire to jar each other's anatomy.

Tim Sullivan's Dinner.

Among the many charity dinners to be given on Christmas Day will be one at the expense of Big Tim Sullivan. He will give a meal to 10,000 of his followers at the headquarters of the Sullivan association, 207 Bowery. The bill of fare includes 8,000 pounds of turkey and 3,000 mince pies. There will be other things, but these two dainties are sensational enough for separate mention. One good feature of the Sullivan Christmas dinner is that everyone along the Bowery is welcome. Besides the dinner each guest will be presented with a woolen cap and a pair of socks.

Dropped Like a Hot Potato.

The Baptists' conference today dropped G. K. McDonald from its list of members with promptness and unanimity. Mr. McDonald was not long ago pastor of the East Avenue Baptist church of Long Island City. Now he is proprietor and manager of a liquor saloon in the Bronx. He has said that he sees nothing in the keeping of a saloon incongruous with being a professing Christian but it was expected that the Baptist conference would shut him out. It is not asserted that McDonald's saloon is anything but a respectable place, although it was kept open yesterday until the police ordered it to be closed. Sunday selling is part of the regular saloon business in Greater New York—provided the police do not object.

Beauties of Bankruptcy Law.

Another pug who calls himself an actor seeks relief of the bankruptcy court. Since the passing of the law which allows a man to sidestep his debts in this way it has been quite the popular thing to be declared a bankrupt by court. The petitioner admits that he owes a certain sum of money, and that he has assets wholly inadequate and the rest is a matter for the lawyers and opposing creditors. In most cases the petitioner gets his bankruptcy decree and all is pleasant—except for the creditors.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.
Mrs. R. Jamison, J. H. Barnes,
Miss M. A. Jamison, F. C. Keighly,
Miss C. Arbuckle, F. B. Hussey,
F. L. Robbins, J. Moore,
J. P. McGinley, Miss Darby,
W. H. Donner.

NAVARRE.
F. E. Shallenberger, Miss Beatrice King.
H. E. Patterson,

HERALD SQUARE.
James H. Graham.

IMPERIAL.
H. A. Spencer, J. Hyman,
M. L. Hock.

HOLLAND.
A. M. Oppenheimer, S. L. Fleishman,

GILSEY.
Mrs. Robert Strange, Robert Strange,

STURTEVANT.
R. S. Hunt.

VICTORIA.
Mrs. G. C. Hopper, G. C. Hopper,

ALDEMARLE.
John A. Harper, W. K. Shiras,

BROADWAY CENTRAL.
J. Weisberg, L. Braun,

WESTMINSTER.
Mrs. Merin.

BARTHOLDI.
R. H. Wharton.

ASTOR.
A. Howard, Mrs. Logan and
J. W. Bowman, children.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those act the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby points:

Lincoln—C. S. Robinson, Parker; A. L. Irwin, Meadville; E. N. Bush, New Brighton.

Victoria—O. F. Sweetzir, Akron; J. R. Adams, Altoona.

Seventh Avenue—E. L. Parks, S. L. Gillespie, Greenville; G. D. Jenkins, Waynesburg; J. H. D. Shaffer, Marietta, O.; W. W. Tate, I. N. Bair, Steubenville.

Anderson—R. C. Secrist, Youngstown, J. E. Brooks, East Liverpool.

Henry—R. P. Kennedy, Uniontown; J. A. Smith, Altoona; J. C. McSpaden, Rockwood; C. E. Clark, Youngstown; A. D. Simon, Fairmont; L. D. Wright, Sharon; C. J. Curran, Oil City.

Griswold—C. H. Stine, Johnstown; Charles Ball, Mt. Pleasant; C. Miller, Brownsville.

Monongahela—Thomas Kennedy, Sharon; J. S. Laughrey, Dawson; F. P. Hue, Altoona; A. W. Bliss, Uniontown; A. Y. Wimble, Franklin.

Duquesne—R. H. Lee, Jr., Titusville; W. A. Smith, Somerset.

Newell's—E. F. Grant, Ridgway; J. M. Burns, Waynesburg; E. B. Snyder, E. M. Snyder, Uniontown; L. L. Graham, F. S. Bates, Oil City; C. L. Egbert, Bradford; C. B. Hanna, Johnstown; M. Keating, Sistersville; J. C. Grove, Erie; Charles F. Hedricks, Brookville.

Public Sentiment Behind Roosevelt.

From the Baltimore News.

The administration has the entire body of American public sentiment behind it in its earnest efforts to bring the Venezuelan trouble to an end by means of arbitration. Upon the details of its successive steps in the promotion of this object there is always room for much doubt and conjecture, but of the intensity of the administration's interest and the sincerity of its endeavors to bring about the desired result there is no doubt. Fortunately, too, there are two personal elements prominent in the case which are decidedly encouraging. Secretary Hay has given us reason to place much confidence in his skill and the knowledge he has acquired by very considerable experience of complicated diplomatic situations; and Minister Bowen has so conducted himself in the delicate position in which he was placed as to win the respect and good will of all parties to the controversy.

PERSONALS

An Allegheny wedding party almost caused a congestion at Union station last night, just about the time the eastbound trains were pulling out. The gatemen were on the verge of nervous prostration when the bride tore herself loose from her friends and with a whirr of skirts rushed through the entrance amid a shower of rice, with her hubby a close second. As the groom entered the train shed he looked like a canvasback that had been fishing for wild rice since the frost set in. It was one of the merriest wedding parties of the year. The groom was Dr. F. A. Robinson of Grove City and the bride was Miss Catherine Lean of Stockton avenue, Allegheny. All their friends accompanied them to the station. As the time for the train arrived tears, kisses and handshaking drowned the noises of the puffing engines, and only the cry of "All on board!" parted them from their friends. Two bags of North Carolina rice was thrown on them as they passed through the gates of the train shed, and the gatemen will for the next week be kept busy in plucking the grains from their clothing. The wedding was held at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lean, No. 298 Stockton avenue, Allegheny, at 6:30 o'clock last evening. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. S. Edward Young of the Second Presbyterian church. It was strictly a home wedding, and the house was decorated with flowers and Christmas greens. The honeymoon will be spent in the east, after which the young couple will make their home in Grove City. C. C. Lean, a brother of the bride, and his wife, of Chicago, were present at the wedding ceremony.

"The monument to be erected in Schenley park this summer to the late Col. A. L. Hawkins of the Tenth Pennsylvania volunteer infantry will be one of the most handsome memorials ever erected to a soldier of Western Pennsylvania." The speaker was Karl Bitter, who was passing through Pittsburgh on business in connection with the Louisiana Purchase Exposition last night. Mr. Bitter was director of sculpture at the Pan-American Exhibition at Buffalo, and was one of the competitors for the Hawkins monument. "The jury acted wisely in selecting the design offered by William Couper, as it was the most appropriate of all that were presented to them. I can say this as a competitor myself. The memorial planned by Mr. Couper will be perfect in all its details and will be a work of art. He is one of the leading artists of the country, and his work is beyond any criticism. Pennsylvania is fortunate in securing George Gray Bernard, the most talented and ambitious young sculptor in the United States, to beautify the state capitol in Harrisburg with his art. He is engaged for the next 10 years, and for that reason did not enter into the competition for the Hawkins monument."

Secretary John Williams of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers has gone to Philadelphia to meet his father, who is expected from Wales today. This will be the first visit of Mr. Williams to America, where nearly all his family are now located. The Rev. D. Williams, pastor of the Carnegie Baptist church, is another son.

W. H. Tudor, resident manager of the Deering division of the National Harvester Company, gave a dinner to his local salesmen at the Hotel Henry last night. During the dinner Mr. Tudor was presented with a handsome Morris chair.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Mrs. Martha G. Doughty.

Mrs. Martha Guthrie Doughty, a member of the well-known Guthrie family of Pittsburgh and the last of her generation, is dead at the residence of her grandson, Dr. Theodore C. Lyster, U. S. A., Fort Schuyler, New York. Her death occurred on Monday. Mrs. Doughty was a daughter of James Verner Guthrie and a sister of the father of George Guthrie, recent candidate for lieutenant governor on the Democratic ticket. She was born in Pittsburgh 73 years ago, and for many years had been a resident of Cincinnati, where she removed after her marriage to William M. Doughty of that city. John Guthrie, her grandfather, and Robert Guthrie, her great uncle, are buried in the First Presbyterian churchyard and are two of the 11 bodies which could not be located recently when it was decided to remove the remains of persons buried there. Dr. Dergas, who had charge of the sanitary department in Havana, Cuba, during its military occupation by the United States troops, is a son-in-law of Mrs. Doughty. Her surviving children are Charles L. Doughty of Cincinnati, James L. Doughty of Larmar, Neb.; Miss Harriett Doughty of Evanston, Ill., and Mrs. J. W. Lyster of Fort Schuyler. The funeral services will take place at Cincinnati.

Dorsey King.

Dorsey King, who drove a stage coach from Chambersburg to Pittsburgh and from Johnstown to Somerset in the forties, and later from Brownsville, Pa., to Cumberland, Md., over the old National pike, died at Johnstown, Pa., yesterday, aged 70. For some time he traveled with Pendleton's and Meby & Crosby's circuses and at one time assisted Adam Forepaugh in buying horses. He was a member of Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-third regiment, in which George F. Baer was captain. Mr. King conducted a livery stable in Johnstown for many years. One of his proud distinctions was that he has driven many hundreds of prominent men through the mountains, among others, Presidents Buchanan and Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglass and Henry Clay.

Mrs. George W. Riehl.

Mrs. George W. Riehl, 65 years old, died yesterday at her home at Berlin, Pa., after a long illness. She was the mother of Mrs. Charles T. Herrington. Mrs. Riehl was born in Berlin and had spent all her life there. She was a member of the Reformed church. She is survived by her husband, a retired business man, and two daughters and three sons.

Miss Rose Olive Hegner.

Miss Rose Olive Hegner, 18 years old, daughter of George H. Hegner of Beaver street, Sewickley, died early Monday morning at her home of typhoid fever. Besides her parents, six brothers and sisters survive. Funeral services will be held this morning at 9 o'clock at St. James' Roman Catholic church, Sewickley.

Obituary Notes.

John Fundis, 54 years old, is dead at his home in Glenfield. He is survived by several children.

J. S. Johnston, aged 81 years, is dead at his home in Wilmington township, Lawrence county, Pa., of paralysis.

Thomas L. Henry, a well known farmer, died yesterday at his home in North Beaver township, Lawrence county, Pa., aged 75.

Margaret Raney, aged 77, died at the residence of her nephew, Sample Raney, in Hickory township, Mercer county, Pa., Sunday night.

Robert Brown, 65 years old, a veteran of the civil war, is dead at his late home, No. 1 Grandview avenue, Mt. Washington. His wife, a son and a daughter survive.

Mrs. James Paisley of Beaver Falls, Pa., is dead at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Latimer, at New Alexandria. She was 80 years old, and is survived by one son and one daughter.

Mrs. Elizabeth Krieg, 60 years old, supreme deputy of the Ladies' Catholic Benefical association, is dead at her late home, No. 116 South Twelfth street. She was a member of St. Michael's church.

Benjamin A. Elliott, 68 years old, a horticulturist, is dead at his late home at West View postoffice. He was a member of the Royal Arcanum and of the Arch Street Methodist Episcopal church.

William H. Marshall is dead at his home in Homer City, Pa., of heart failure, aged 72. He was a civil war veteran, having served in Company G, Seventy-sixth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers. His widow and nine children survive.

Stands by His Principles.

From the Milwaukee Free Press.

The governor-elect of Nebraska stands by his principles, and doesn't care whether people like it, and him, or not. He would rather be right than to be popular; and he knows he is right. Plans were being carefully laid for a grand ball as a part of the inauguration ceremonies, but Mr. Mickey—his name is Mickey—announced that he would attend no ball. He is now a member in good standing in the Methodist church, and he proposes to continue so. Besides, he is opposed to dancing anyway, never wore a dress suit in his life, and his admirers say he never will, b'gosh.

THE PRESIDENT AS ARBITRATOR

Press Comment on the Proposition Made by the Foreign Powers.

It is a tremendous compliment that Germany, England and Italy pay the president of the United States and our country by calling upon him to be the arbitrator of the case of war between the allied powers and the republic of Venezuela.

The president has expressed very serious reluctance to consenting, and mentions among other things that the United States has claims upon the prostrated state and is, therefore, a party interested. They are not comparatively significant, however. The strong point made by the allies, and it is entirely and aptly true, and all the world will see it is so, is that the decision of the president is more important than that of any other or all other courts in the case. That stands forth. Those are lines in the dispatches that lead to the conclusion the president will accept the invitation, with all its responsibilities. The act of the allies in proposing the president is very striking and very respectful and handsome.

All apprehension and controversy as to the danger of the Monroe doctrine, with its traditions of pride and its ideal dignity, are at once and forever swept away. The doctrine is removed from the contingencies of controversy and all nations will honor it.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

In view of the many weighty objections to the flattering proposal that President Roosevelt should act as arbiter of the controversy between Venezuela and various European powers, we feel sure that reports from Washington and London suggesting that he is willing to do so, are unwarranted. The Hague tribunal was constituted for the express purpose of adjudicating just such disputes, and in this case the interests, position and relations of the United States make it peculiarly desirable that the president should decline the responsibility which he has been asked to accept, and thus escape the risk of involving this country in embarrassing complications, the sagacious avoidance of which thus far has gained credit abroad and produced entire satisfaction at home. —New York Tribune.

While there are some drawbacks the assumption of the position of arbitrator by the president, with the consent and desire of both sides, will emphasize the leadership of the United States on this continent and the recognition of that leadership equally by Europe and America. If it imposes burdens, it will augment influence. It will add the responsibilities of judge to the moral power of unselfish friendship. And so while the president ought not to seek he need not shrink from the duty. In the evolution of national life and of continental progress the mission of the United States is to grow larger and larger, and we cannot falter under the obligations.—Philadelphia Press.

It is an honor to have the president called upon to arbitrate differences involving the disputes of so many governments, as it is a general recognition of his intelligence and judgment; nevertheless, it seems that the president should not be asked to assume such a responsibility now that all the more important governments have united in creating a court of arbitration, designed to consider and decide all such differences as exist between Venez

PUGILISTS BEAT THE POLITICIANS

Citizens Had to Postpone a Meeting to Let a Prize Fight Go On.

A MIX-UP IN ALLEGHENY

Constable Thrown Out of Hall and Promoter Arrested — Murphy Credited With Desire to Besmirch Name of Opposition.

Politics and athletics clashed yesterday in Allegheny and the former got decidedly the worst of the conflict. The Allegheny Athletic association was pitted against the new Citizens party organization of the North Side. Incidentally Recorder John R. Murphy and Superintendent of Police Henry Muth were drawn into the squabble and one of their strongest political opponents, Alderman Samuel Abernethy, was called upon by one of the minions of the law, who got a black eye.

The trouble cropped out of the determination of both the Citizens party and the Allegheny Athletic association to occupy Kenyon's hall last night. "Billy" Corcoran had a fight between "Rube" Ferns and "Matty" Matthews scheduled and had paid the rent of the hall for the entire evening. The citizens of the Second ward had advertised an indignation meeting at which protests against the indorsement of the four ring councilmen in the Second ward by the Citizens organization were to be heard.

Broke in the Doors.

Maj. H. K. Tyler, until recently one of the Citizens party leaders on the North Side, is lessee of Kenyon's hall and on Saturday, December 13, leased the hall until April 1, 1903, to the Citizens committee represented by Stephen C. Porter. Provision was made in the lease for the use of the hall on the nights of December 22, 29 and 30 by the Allegheny Athletic association. This stipulation was agreed to by Porter when the lease was signed. On Saturday night, it is said, the Citizens committee had the locks on all doors leading into the hall changed, the evident intention being to prevent the athletic association from getting possession and thereby shutting out the Second ward citizens. Maj. Tyler heard the story of the new locks yesterday morning and immediately went to Recorder John R. Murphy. "Murph" hear Tyler's story and sent Capt. "Jim" Thornton and two officers to Kenyon's hall. The locked doors were kicked in and Maj. Tyler took possession.

Reports came to police headquarters that the Citizens committee was going to send a squad of men around to eject Maj. Tyler, and two officers were kept stationed at the doors of the hall all day.

Constable Mills Surprised.

Things were quiet until noon, when Constable O. F. Mills from Squire Watson's office appeared. He found "Billy" Corcoran superintending the construction of the 24-foot ring on the stage, and demanded in the name of the Citizens party that Corcoran take his gang of workmen and run away. "Billy" couldn't see things in this light and told the little constable that if he wanted to stay in the hall he would have to behave himself. Mills, it is said, became abusive. Corcoran pulled his nose, slapped his face and threw him out on the sidewalk.

Not knowing Corcoran's ability as an athlete, Constable Mills stood on Federal street, wondering how he had come out of the door so rapidly. He went before Alderman Abernethy and entered suit against Corcoran for assault and battery. Corcoran was arrested and gave bail. The hearing was set for Friday morning.

Meanwhile the Citizens committee had sent a carpenter around to put on new locks and gave him instructions to lock everybody out. The carpenter was unaware of the morning's proceedings and went peaceably into the hall to execute orders. He was met by two policemen, who told him of the job that had been put up on him and he went away sadly.

Recorder Murphy had been shown the notice by Maj. Tyler and as Corcoran had been given a license to hold his boxing contest the police were ordered to recognize no one allied with or representing the Citizens party.

Meeting Was Postponed.

The meeting of the Citizens was not held last night, but will be held next Monday night at headquarters. Chairman Stephen G. Porter was seen last night and said:

"No respectable citizen of Allegheny can feel anything but shame that such a thing as a prize fight is countenanced by those at the head of the city government. And no one feels it so keenly as those allied with the Citizens party. The permit for the fight was given by the city hall officials only too eagerly. On the face of it it looks as though the Citizens party was allowing prize fighters to come into their headquarters and hold a prize fight. When the permit was given it was obviously Recorder Murphy's wish that this impression should be spread broadcast. But I feel sure no one will be fooled. The chance to hold a fight in our headquarters was taken up by Murphy for the purpose of giving us a black eye, but unless I am mistaken this little act of Murphy's will throw at least a thousand votes to the Citizens side. We did not want to have it said that such a disgraceful affair was held in our headquarters and rather than have it take place we offered to buy Corcoran out at his own figure. But he would come to no terms. The whole thing looks to me like a scheme to smirch the name of the Citizens party."

FOR THE ORPHANS.

Annual Collection for St. Paul's Orphans Will Be Taken Thursday.

Arrangements have been completed by the Rev. Father M. Lynch, manager of St. Paul's orphan asylum at Idlewood, for collection of the annual offering of the people of Pittsburgh to the orphanage. The annual circular letter sent out each Christmas by the orphanage has been mailed to contributors to charitable causes, and by order of the Rt. Rev. R. Phelan, bishop of Pittsburgh, it has been read in each Catholic church in the diocese from the pulpits on the past two Sundays at the masses. The contributions of the members of the churches will be taken on Christmas day at all the masses.

During the past year the asylum has cared for about 1,400 children, who were admitted into the institution without distinction of sex, nationality, language, color or creed. On one one day during the past year has there been less than 700 children in the asylum. During this period little sickness, none of a contagious or epidemic character, and few deaths were reported.

Progressive Luncheon.

Mrs. Francis T. F. Lovejoy gave a handsome luncheon yesterday afternoon at her home, "Edgehill," Braddock road, East End, the entertainment being given in honor of her mother, Mrs. Harriett Fleming, and her sister, Miss Louise Fleming. It was a progressive luncheon and the guests hurrounding 12 tables progressed with each course. Each table was decorated differently. American Beauty roses, violets, roses of different shades, hyacinths, lilies of the valely and other flowers appearing in profusion. The guests were presented with flowers corresponding to the decorations of the table where they sat for the first course.

THE TOY MISSION'S HEADQUARTERS PRESENTS A BUSY SCENE THESE DAYS.

For three weeks Maj. Simmons has been busy at the Toy Mission receiving and preparing for distribution the toys that are contributed by charitable persons to be sent into the homes of the city's poor to gladden the hearts of the 10,000 little ones whose parents are not able to impersonate good old Santa Claus. The orphans in the various homes in Pittsburgh and Allegheny will be remembered by the managers of the Toy Mission. The donations this year were unusually large.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL NOT INTERFERE

Report of Committee, of Which Pitcairn Is Member, Leaves Wabash to Councils.

At a meeting of the directors of the chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon the report of the committee on transportation and railways, of which Robert Pitcairn is a prominent member, recommending that the chamber decline to interfere in the proposed tangle over the railroad ordinances was approved, but councils were urged not to delay the Wabash's entrance into the city.

Despite the fact that the Wabash, through its local representatives, invited councils to go over the ground which it desires to occupy by its South Side branch and exhibited plans and blueprints to the councilmen who responded to the invitation, Maj. A. P. Burchfield, chairman of the committee, declares that the Wabash people never have shown councils what they want on the South Side.

Maj. Burchfield stated that the Wabash had given councils a garbled and incomplete statement of what it asks from the city. The report incorporated the following resolutions, which were adopted with it, and was signed by Maj. A. P. Burchfield, Robert Pitcairn, H. M. Brackenridge and Homer J. Lindsay:

"That we petition councils to designate one of the engineers of the city, or one outside the engineering corps (if thought best), who shall represent councils, consult with the engineers of the Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania lines, Pittsburgh & Lake Erie and the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western railroads as to the differences arising in right of way sought by the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company, and who shall have the right to determine and report back to select councils' committee such measures; also that, thereby, a proper ordinance might be drawn to protect the interests of the railroads now located and that those now seeking entrance may be accommodated.

"Also, that this engineer shall report where supports asked for by the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company shall complete their blue print, showing what right of way it requires to reach the manufacturing plants on the South Side east of Second street, and at what grade it expects to reach those connections, the same to be part of the report of the engineer designated.

The paper and resolution offered by Mr. McClintock, on the necessity of increased transportation facilities and the speedy completion of the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western railroad, meet with approval, and your committee recommend their adoption.

WESTINGHOUSE WELL FAILS.

Supposedly Rich Gasser Inadequate for Swissvale Works.

The gas well that the Union Switch and Signal Company brought in at Swissvale a week ago, near the company's works, has proved a disappointment. When the flow of gas was reached, it was believed the company had secured an extraordinary producer.

All manner of reports were spread, seemingly with sufficient basis. It is now found, however, that the well will scarcely supply the works of the Westinghouse concern at Swissvale with gas. The company may sink another well to give it ample supply the year 'round.

Want to Be Marines.

Owing to the trouble in Venezuela, an unusual number of men are applying for enlistment in the navy at the local United States recruiting station. First Sergeant James Hart, who is temporarily in charge during the absence of Lieut. J. H. Miller, says the class of the applicants is above that of any other station in the country. About 25 men have applied for enlistment.

May Ask a General Advance.

The majority of the local unions of the Knights of Labor and other labor organizations are now engaged in preparing their scale sheets for the new year. It is thought that a general advance in wages will be asked for, but the demand, it is said, will be moderate.

A NOVEL XMAS CELEBRATION

Wilkinsburg Baptists Forget Self to Help Distressed Neighbors.

THE PASTOR'S PLANS

Members of Congregation and Sunday School Will Work Through the Year Together. Funds for Noble Undertaking.

The true spirit of Christmas characterizes the holiday entertainments of the Wilkinsburg Baptist church. The exercises are not confined to singing and praying and the distribution of candy among the happy-faced, well-clad little folks of the congregation, but in remembering those of their neighbors who are less fortunate.

The members of the Baptist church and Sunday school have decided that Christmas shall henceforth be a season of good cheer to the people of Wilkinsburg, regardless of attempts of the gaunt specter of poverty to frighten Santa Claus. At the annual entertainment of the church last night the Rev. John A. Moore, pastor of the congregation, suggested a plan for relieving the poor of the town at Christmas time, and through the ensuing year every member of his flock will assist in the efforts to bring happiness to desolate homes 12 months hence.

On January 1 each member of the church and Sunday school will be given a sum of money from the congregational funds and during the year it is intended that the small capital shall be invested and multiplied until a neat accumulation will be paid to the Christmas treasurer. It is expected that enough money will be earned to provide for the holiday dinner of every poor family in Wilkinsburg.

The "concerns," as Mr. Moore styles the investors, will be divided into two classes. The first will be composed of the Sunday school pupils under 15 years of age, and the other of all others over that age. The pastor said he looked for every boy under 15 years of age to make $25 during the year and that older persons would be able to accumulate three times the amount.

At last night's entertainment each member donated some article of food or clothing. The admission fee was one potato for each child and two potatoes for each adult. The receipts amunted to barrels of the vegetables. There are 12 classes in the Sunday school and each class presented its gift in turn. One class donated a barrel of potatoes, another gave baskets of fruit, while others presented different articles of food and clothing. The donations filled a small room in the rear of the church and today and tomorrow will be distributed among the worthy poor.

Out-of-Town Girls in Pittsburgh.

There are a number of out-of-town girls now visiting in Pittsburgh who are taking part in the galeties of the holiday season. They added to the interest and success of the ball last evening at the Pittsburgh club and also that at the Schenley. Miss Ethel Byram is entertaining Miss Daisy Strong of Hartford, Conn.; Miss Paige of Massachusetts is visiting Miss Sallie Speer Dunbar; Miss Virginia Wright of St. Louis is the guest of Mrs. William Speer Kuhn and her sister, Miss Sallie Hill, and Mrs. George C. Burgwin and her daughter, are entertaining Miss Rae Winter of New York, and Miss Wickersham of Lancaster, Pa. Miss Tyler of Kansas City is visiting her cousin, Miss Marion Sellers.

QUAKER CITY LAWYER SUES TO RECOVER FEE

Wishes to Establish Principle and Devote Proceeds to Charity.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Public Ledger Building.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 22.

John G. Johnson, one of the most prominent members of the Philadelphia bar, today began suit against Bernard Corr to recover $1,470, with interest, alleged to be due for services rendered as counsel. Mr. Johnson said he sued as a matter of principle and as evidence of this assigned any amount he may recover to the Seventh District association for organizing charity.

In his statement of claim Mr. Johnson recites the history of the cause, which involved the construction of the will of Michael Corr, who died in this city, leaving a will which was averred not to be altogether clear as to intent. Mr. Johnson claims that he successfully contested the claim of the residuary legatees, Corr having been adjudged as dying intestate. Bernard Corr engaged Mr. Johnson, stipulating that his name was not to be used as a contestant of the will. In case the will was not declared void, Mr. Johnson declares he was to receive a fee of $250 only; but if successful, he expected 10 per cent of the amount recovered, not upon any agreement, but for services rendered according to value received.

Mr. Corr filed an affidavit of defense in which he denies Mr. Johnson's claim relative to the 10 per cent of money recovered and avers that the agreement was for $250 in case of failure and $1,000 in the event of a successful termination of the case. He says he offered this $1,000, but it was refused.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

Grafters Met the Foreigners.

Over 600 emigrants arrived in Pittsburgh over the Baltimore & Ohio railroad yesterday morning. The nationalities represented were Hungarian, Slav, German, Pole and Italian. Nine cars containing foreigners went on to Chicago and points west. Among those who came in were many women and children. The police had considerable work to protect the new arrivals from "grafters," who greeted them as "easy marks" at the station.

Proprietor and Visitors Fined.

Joseph Richmond, the alleged proprietor of a gambling house in Shady Park, North Braddock, was yesterday fined $25, and seven men who were arrested at his place early yesterday morning were fined $5 by Burgess Fletcher K. Leighton of North Braddock. The police and constables allege that when the raid was made a poker game was in progress.

Open Evenings.

HOLIDAY SLIPPERS

The great sale continues. Today and tomorrow.

Big special lots of Fur-trimmed Tan, Red and Black Felt Nullifiers a third under price at 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.

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AN INSANE SOLDIER HOLDS OFFICERS AT BAY

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Armed with a revolver, a gun and a belt of ammunition, Sidney Mayer of this city, an insane soldier, recently returned from the Philippines, is entrenched in the woods near Tidioute, on the Allegheny river, and defies his would-be captors, who are afraid to shoot for fear of killing him.

The young man escaped from Corry Saturday while being taken to the Warren hospital. He stole a horse and rig and drove to Tidioute where he stole a boat and started down the river, closely pursued. The boat overturned and the soldier swam ashore and took to the woods.

Mayer contracted fever in the far east and was invalided home.

TO ACCEPT SEWERS.

Asbury Park Councils Acts Favorably on James A. Bradley's Offer to Sell.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Dec. 22.—The Asbury Park city council tonight voted to accept James A. Bradley's offer to sell the beach and sewers to the city.

The council also voted to issue $360,000 worth of 30-year 3½ per cent bonds. This will have to be approved of by a vote of the taxpayers, which will be held on January 12 and 13.

The only condition was that Ocean avenue shall be widened by 27 feet, making a boulevard 100 feet wide. A committee was appointed to have the legislature pass any acts that may be needed to enlarge the city's powers.

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DEATHS.

BRADFORD—On Sunday, December 21, 1902, at Detroit, Mich., THOMAS BRADFORD, only brother of Mrs. Walter Bahl.

Funeral services at the First Presbyterian church, New Brighton, on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Burial private.

CROMBIE—Suddenly, on Monday, December 22, 1902, at 5:10 p. m., DR. JOHN B. CROMBIE.

Funeral services at his late residence, 500 North avenue, Allegheny, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

DOUGHTY—Entered into rest on Monday, December 22, 1902, at the residence of her grandson, Dr. Theodore C. Lyster, U. S. A., Fort Schuyler, N. Y., MARTHA GUTHRIE DOUGHTY, widow of William M. Doughty, and sister of the late John E. and Robert Bruce Guthrie.

Funeral at Cincinnati, O.

FINNEY—Suddenly, on Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 8 p. m., JOHN FINNEY, in his 74th year.

Funeral services at St. Paul's cathedral on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment private.

FUNDIS—On Sunday, December 21, 1902, JOHN W. FUNDIS of Glenfield, in his 81st year.

Funeral services at his late residence, Glenfield, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Train leaves Allegheny depot at 12:15 p. m., city time.

GORDON—On Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 4:30 a. m., JENNIE, wife of E. Gordon, Jr., in her 39th year.

Funeral services at the family residence, Montrose, W. P. R. R., on Tuesday, December 23, at 12:30 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Train leaves Chestnut street station at 11:30 a. m.

HAYS—On Sunday evening, December 21, 1902, MARTHA J., daughter of Thomas and Sarah Jane Hays, aged 5 years.

Funeral services and interment private from the family home, No. 424 North Fairmount avenue, East End, on Tuesday morning.

KENNEDY—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 9 a. m., ANNIE E., wife of Thomas J. Kennedy, aged 57 years.

Funeral on Wednesday, December 24, at 2 p. m., from the residence of her son-in-law, O. J. Taylor, No. 19 Perry street. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

KRIEG—On Sunday, December 21, 1902, at 8:30 a. m., ELIZABETH KRIEG (nee Rauber), relict of Joseph Kreig (supreme deputy of L. C. B. A.), aged 60 years, 1 month, 2 days.

Funeral from her late residence, No. 118 Twelfth street, South Side, on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. High mass at St. Michael's church, Pius street, South Side, at 10. The members of L. C. B. A., Women's Conference Sacred Heart society of St. Michael's church, and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LAFFERTY—On Sunday, December 21, 1902, at 5:30 p. m., MRS. AMELIA J. LAFFERTY, widow of William J. Lafferty, aged 68 years.

Funeral services at the residence of her sister, Mrs. James Hazlewood, Hethlon, West End, Pittsburgh, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

LANG—At parents' residence, West Liberty borough, EARL, beloved son of William and Lizzie Lang (nee Harley), aged 3 years 2 months.

Funeral this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

LHOYD—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at her residence in Bellevue, JANE P., daughter of the late Thomas J. and Jane L. Lhoyd.

Services and burial private.

MADINE—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 3 p. m., infant son of John and Mary Madine.

Funeral today at 3:30 p. m. Interment at Wellsburg, W. Va.

MOORE—Suddenly, on Sunday, December 21, 1902, BENJAMIN MOORE, in the 72d year of his age.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 46 Roberts street, Pittsburgh, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

NEALE—On Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 11 p. m., CHARLES THOMPSON NEALE.

Services at his late residence, No. 711 Bidwell street, Shadyside, on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, interment private.

NOLL—On Monday, December 22, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, WILLIAM LOUIS, only (infant) son of Harry L. and Katherine Noll (nee Yeckel), aged 5 months 6 days.

Funeral private, from parents' residence, No. 51 Beltzhoover avenue, Thirty-eighth ward, Pittsburgh, on Wednesday, December 24.

PAISLEY—On Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 6 o'clock p. m., MRS. ANNA J. PAISLEY, aged 84 years, of Beaver Falls, Pa.

Funeral from residence of her daughter, Mrs. Laura E. Latimer, New Alexandria, Pa., on Tuesday, December 23.

(Philadelphia papers please copy.)

SCHLARB—On Sunday, December 21, 1902, at 7:30 a. m., ANTON A., son of Adam and Mary Schlarb, in his 22d year.

Funeral from the residence of his parents, No. 1012 Penn street, Sharpsburg, on Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Services at St. Mary's church at 9. St. Aloysius Literary society and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

WATERS—Suddenly, on Saturday, December 20, 1902, at 11:30 p. m., at his residence, No. 5121 Duncan street, ALEXANDER WATERS, aged 67 years.

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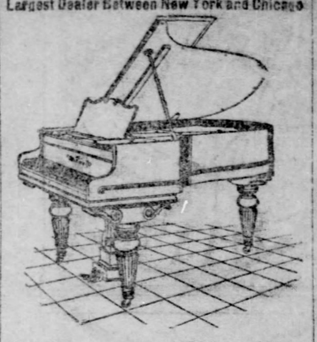

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Grand—The Christmas Pantomime.

MANAGER DAVIS of the Grand opera house may eat his Christmas turkey in the most self-complacent frame of mind. He has brought the biggest children's spectacle and Christmas pantomime show to the American stage that it has ever had. Mind you, we say "children's spectacle;" but that does not mean that "Little Red Riding Hood," the gorgeous spectacle that yesterday afternoon and last evening had its first presentation at the Grand, is not an attraction for grown-up people. It is, and at this season of the year, when one's age doesn't count, when even the most blase amusement-seeker is a child again in his tastes and aspirations, the Christmas spectacle at the Grand will fit into the most brilliant dream of stage beauty and scenic marvel and novelty. In all of its particulars, large and small, the "Red Riding Hood" spectacle is a thing of beauty, lavish in its appeal to the eye at every turn and containing a pictured story that fairly overflows with memories of story-book days. Joined to those are enough modern touches of song, ballet and terpsichorean brilliancy to bring the entertainment down to this date of 1902, when great things at stage displays are the rule rather than the exception. There is no like entertainment to which the Grand spectacle can be compared, so the theatergoer finds himself left to comparisons with last year's production at the same house of "Cinderella." In the gorgeous musical comedies that we are being treated to so lavishly there is not counterpart enough to establish comparisons. The old Henderson ballet spectacles are not in the same class, so the reviewer is left to the sole query, "How does the present pantomime, or spectacle, compare with last season's attempt?" The answer is ready enough. "Red Riding Hood" is infinitely superior as a spectacle, far more entrancing in its appeal to the young and old alike, and is costumed, staged and "balleted" with a lavishness that completely obscures the same effort last year. Of the book, which shows the skill of Stage Director Huffman, there is room for some improvement. The interpolations are not always coherent and the thread of the story needs compacting somewhat. The jokes are sometimes of ancient vintage and the humor has, like an unwelcome guest at a royal feast; but these are minor discords. One bothers little about the book of a fairy story after it has reached the stage, and Mr. Huffman has so fully atoned for these weaknesses in the gorgeous setting of brilliant scenes and glittering cavalcade of moving figures that forgiveness is easy. The story of Red Riding Hood made over to suit stage purposes is the basis upon which is built songs, ballet dances, burlesques, processions and choruses of richly and beautifully dressed principals and supernumeraries, and behind all these a scenic equipment metropolitan in its immensity and thoroughly artistic in its harmony and appeal to the eye. The first performances yesterday were remarkably smooth when one stops to think of the vastness of the entertainment. The regular members of the stock company are, of course, the principal interpreters of the piece, but the ballets and choruses form a splendid and imposing background. The hundreds of supernumeries, many of them bright-faced, graceful children, display remarkable training, and form another tribute to Mr. Huffman's ingenuity, industry and untiring labor. The movements of these were wonderfully smooth even at the first performances yesterday afternoon and last night, and may, of course, be expected to improve and grow more efficient as they become more familiar with the work.

It is difficult to give detailed review of an entertainment, the first and great appeal of which is to the eye. Descriptions may be ever so exact, but there is lacking the color, movement and light that no review can portray and no criticism make plain. The first scene tells of the plot to destroy Red Riding Hood and is laid in a deep forest glade where witches hold converse. The Wolf and the Bear appear and are given instructions to do the evil work that the bad fairy has decreed. Scene II. shifts the scene to an autumn dell, where the good Fairy Queen vows to protect Red Riding Hood. In the third scene is introduced Mother Hubbard of nursery fame and her "dog who went to the cupboard" and a donkey that the good lady has acquired since she went into pantomime. Scene IV. of this act represents the village of Happy Go Lucky, and introduces the Little Boy Blue, and also introduces one of the most amusing

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skits of the entire performance, in which a gigantic rooster plays a prominent part and finally has a fight with a real specimen of the game variety in which the big bird, played by Walter Stanton with comic success, gets the worst of it. The fifth scene is the school room of Mother Hubbard, and the sixth introduces a splendid and novel ballet effect called "The Snow Ballet," arranged by Mr. Kiralfy. This is one of the most unique stage effects we have ever seen, and is obtained by an artistic use of ribboned paper let down from the wings and liberally "spun out" in the hands of the chorus. The ballet work in this scene is also beautiful, lending effective charm to the idea as a whole. In the second act the striking feature is the magnificent scenic beauty of the "Elephant Ballet," a stage setting altogether unique and striking in effect. In this act there is also some fine toe dancing by Mlle. Bartoletti, whose dancing is the most graceful and impressive the local stage has ever seen, Mlle. Minoletti, La Czarina and Stella Kiralfy. In the third act, and last, the climax of this magnificent scenic beauty is reached in a series of pictures that fairly dazzle one. They are arranged in climactic order and move in excellent order and beauty to the crowning apex, the fighting of the garden with its bewilderingly beautiful fountains. The entire scene forms a startling evidence of the perfection of modern stage art and reflects the utmost credit upon Mr. Huffman, the scenic painters and the lavish liberality of Manager Davis.

The company of players at the Grand are cast for the principal roles in the burlesque and acquit themselves well. Miss Eva Tayler is Little Boy Blue and looked charming, and sang James Ray Shryock's burlesque on "The Good Old Summer Time" in such a way as to bring a number of encores. Mr. Ingersoll is Mother Hubbard and is quite ridiculous enough to make that old lady turn over in her grave if she should hear of the travesty. Marion Ballou is Little Red Riding Hood and looks charming in a blonde wig and acts the dainty heroine with great skill. Minna Phillips is the Good Fairy and demonstrated in several songs that she has far the best singing voice in the group. Alice Gale is an absurd and impossible Irish biddy and plays the role finely. William Beach is the Wolf with a soul-terrifying resemblance to the real thing. Joseph Wighaman is the Bear and Lawrence Underwood is the Donkey, while Frank Allen makes an excellent Dog Tray. James Cooper is admirable as the miller and does some funny stunts as an old hayseed. Wilton Taylor is Simple Simon. Willis Martin is Johnny Stout and Dennie Harris plays Lena Krout humorously. The choruses are well drilled and sing with remarkable skill and volume of harmony. "The Eva chorus," led by Miss Georgia Donegan, caught the fancy of the audience especially, that young lady making a decided hit both in voice and gracefulness. A last word as to what is by no means one of the least features of excellence. The music by Oscar Radin is all good. There is movement, color and not a little originality and force about the concerted and dance numbers that come from his pen, while the libretto as a whole adds worth and dignity to the spectacle.

Altogether, this step forward in the way of putting the pantomime on the American stage reflects infinite credit upon the enterprise, liberality and judgment of Manager Davis, and is a vast stride ahead of the effort of last year. Incidentally, it comprises a perfect beauty show and a Christmas entertainment of the most appealing kind for both old and young. It will need to be compacted somewhat and trimmed, but, of course that will follow.

Alvin—Mr. Weedon Grossmith.

AN English comedian of exceedingly clever methods, presenting an all English company in a somewhat broad and farcical comedy of his own authorship, furnished the attraction at the Alvin theater last evening. "The Night of the Party" is the name of the play, and Mr. Weedon Grossmith is both its author and principal interpreter. An excellent impression was made, in spite of a number of difficulties that stood in the way of that happy result. In the first place the theme of the story, while amusing, is so very English in its appeal that the average American audience is likely to find its situations a little puzzling. It tells of "a gentleman's gentleman," or serving man, giving a party to some of the people in his own class in his master's rooms when he thinks that individual gone out of the city. Unfortunately the master misses his train and returns suddenly to find the party at its height. The convivial servants hide themselves as best they can. The gentleman, Mr. Frayne, has a flirtation with a musical woman on his hands and while the serving people are hidden behind curtains, under tables and in chests, this woman, Lady Hampshire, comes to his rooms to throw herself upon his support, telling him that she has quarrelled with her husband and is ready to elope with him. The complications which follow this situation furnish material for the two acts that follow. Crombie, Wayne's servant, played by Weedon Grossmith, shows himself a versatile rascal and by lying, bluffing and impersonating his master he brings everybody out right in the most thorough fashion. As Crosbie, the man servant, a fellow with infinite nerve and perfect powers of deception, Mr. Grossmith does an exceedingly clever bit of acting. It is thoroughly saturated with the familiar English methods, but is so genially done that the effect is admirable and the interest in the story kept up until the fall of the curtain. Mr. Grossmith is undoubtedly a comedian of fine intelligence. His power of portrayal, especially in the quickness and audacity of facial expression and the ease with which he can assume the needed pose and manner for the right moment, is enough to stamp him as an actor of uncommon parts.

Mr. Grossmith's greatest difficulty before an American audience is his English accent and mannerisms, and in this respect his company was even worse. These are all clever players, and some of them way above the average, but it was very difficult at times to understand what they were saying. This was particularly the case with Miss Palfrey, who, though a very graceful and talented actress, was hardly understood at all. In Mr. Charles Cherry, who by the way is no stranger in America, Mr. Grossmith has a fine leading man. The same may be said of Mr. Druce, who played a character part excellently, as did also Mr. Edlred. Mr. Miller, Mr. Paxton and the ladies of the company, not forgetting Miss Alice Ames-can friend, Anna Buckley, late of the Grand Opera House Stock Company, whose clear American enunciation was quite a relief in the part of a saucy maid. The comedy is staged handsomely, but the lights of the theater last night went on another rampage and furnished the third and last difficulty that seemed to stand in the way of Mr. Grossmith winning the genuine approbation that his really clever acting, his humorous comedy and his excellent supporting company all deserved.

Empire—"The Major and the Judge."

WARNING—don't go, stay away, coax your friends not to attend, don't even look at the bill boards that hint at the fun which the "Major and the Judge" are making at the Empire this week—that is, if you or your friends are sober minded and bound to stay so, or dignified to a degree that compels a clerical caste of countenance or rheumatic in any of those organs that are used in laughing. If you don't heed the warning and go, which the majority of Christmas theatergoers will do, you will suffer if afflicted with any of the foregoing complaints. It's misery for a sedate person—the musical farce that gives Tom Lewis and Sam J. Ryan a chance to delight their old friends in Pittsburgh with a three hours' entertainment that will tax the Empire to its utmost to accommodate the crowds. The farce ends with the name. The fun is genuine and up-to-date, a continuous inspiration that brings out the truth of the adage on the bill boards "you've got laughs coming to you." From the time the troubles of the hotel man are thrust upon your notice till Tom and Sam do their excruciating going-to-bed "stunt" there is no controlling your risibles. Everybody laughs at the comedians, of course, but harder this time than ever before for their "drives" are strikingly original and hit off the latest fads Rear after rear of laughter greeted their grotesque make up and actions, and those who have never seen the famous pair before took a solemn vow that they would save one dollar from their Christmas spending to get one more night of the fun. And then everybody developed a warm appreciation of Maud Huth, the Miss Diana DeLyer or queen of the extravaganza. Her singing "caught" the audience first and when she started on her soliloquy giving her hearers snappy bits from her vacation experience, not a sober face was to be found and the galleries were hammering for more. For a comic character the real Judge Theopolis McFee is the most ludicrous specimen that has appeared on the Empire stage this winter. William Mitchell, the landlord, always in trouble, was a decided hit. Not to be forgotten is the chorus of 30 as pretty girls as have appeared in Pittsburgh this year, all keenly alive to their duty to make everybody have a good time and coaxing round after round of applause from the mirth lovers. All in all the "Major and the Judge" should draw a big share of Christmas patronage, and Manager McCullough should be commended in securing for this most enjoyable week of the year a troupe that is capable of giving such an amount of wholesome entertainment.

Bijou—"A Ragged Hero."

PEOPLE who idolize the stage tramp will find a deity to their liking at the Bijou theater in Willis Bloomfield Hower, the leading character of "A Ragged Hero." Willie is a grotesque combination of sentiment, humor and sin. Of course, his failings lean to the side of virtue, and during four strenuous acts of the play he figures in all sorts of wild episodes and manages to keep in fine graces with the audience. When not rushing in at the right moment to foil the villain, or to do a good turn for the heroine, he sings a song or goes through some fun-poking stunt which keeps the crowd in continual good humor. Hal Brown does the part, and does it well. His topical song, "I'm Unlucky," has made a decided hit. Miss Gertrude Swiggett, who enacts the role of a New England girl, helps along wonderfully in the mirth-provoking New England cakewalk. "Senator" Frank Bell, who will be remembered for his work in "Way Down East," does the part of the country constable in the piece, investing his lines with much genuine comedy. Julia West, in the leading female role, shows all the spirit of enthusiasm in her work, and Hattie Fielding dressed her small part in a manner seldom seen in melodrama. The play is well staged and abounds in many scenes of thrilling human interest.

Avenue—Continuous Vaudeville.

AT THE AVENUE this week there is an excellent vaudeville production, good and wholesome throughout. The second week of M. Jean Marcel's living art studies and basreliefs is a feature, along with diverting work of a bevy of little folks. La Petite Mignon is a wonderful child comedienne. Her singing, for so small a mite, is wonderful. In imitations of Anna Held and other celebrities Mignon displays the wonderful powers of a woman. Her cake-walk work and everything she does was received with demonstrative enthusiasm last night. The other little folks are Colibri's Midgets. Theirs is a show in itself for the Germans and almost equally enjoyable for any one. It is a troup of 12 diminutive duchesses, countesses and a prince who do almost anything that may be entertaining from comedy and funny German songs to difficult tight-wire and trapeze acts. The Martinetti family of European acrobats do a series of surprising feats. Cole and Deross, in a gymnastic comedy act, Weston and Allen, in a farce; Johnston N. Burr and Cornie Ford, in a quaint rural sketch; the Chamberlains, lasso experts and rope jugglers; Violet S. Allen, in character dancing; W. H. Mack and Ida H. Elliott, in "The New Minister;" Herbert and Willing, in a black-face act, and the Westons, in a musical comedy act, all combine to make the production one of rare merit for the lovers of vaudeville.

Duquesne—Imro Fox and Vaudeville

IMRO FOX and his vaudeville show present a fair second-class entertainment at the Duquesne this week. Like the George Munroe aggregation, the Fox players will prejudice the public against combination vaudeville troupes. Lottie Gilson, with her clever songs and comedy, furnishes the only real lively performance, although the Flying Rathbuns are good high-bar acrobats, and the Spray sisters excellent singers of popular compositions. William J. Tompkins is a singer and monologue entertainer of mediocre ability, and George W. Stewart spoils a few good steamboat character imitations by mixing them with some very poor ones. The "Young Sleuth" sketch of Manley and Rose is a tiresome affair without merit either in the book or the acting. The Broadway trio, who are more or less musical, bring out some old comedy in a new garb from their skit, "Fun in a Sanitarium," and the Ansell troupe of Scotch dancers are graceful in the dances one associates with plaids. Emma Cotrely does some commonplace club swinging and juggling, while the Bates musical trio can only be endured until they start to sing. The work of Imro Fox is not up to the standard of ordinary magicians who style themselves the world's greatest, and Mr. Fox had no reason for sneering at the audience for refusing to applaud his act.

Academy—"The Brigadiers."

THE strongest company of the season at the Academy is presented this week by Manager Williams. Aside from the company make-up, which is one of the cleverest on the circuit, a couple of extra attractions have been engaged for the week. One of them, the Goleman Dog and Cat circus, is a "worth the price of admission" number and made the biggest kind of a hit. The same can be said of the Martell family of bicyclists, one of whom, a little girl midget, created much amusement by her cute but clever performing. George Wills, as a tough, has a line of humor that is screamingly funny and original. Other good members of the olio are Adelina Roatinna, soprano; Hayes and Wynne, dancers; Wills and Barron, dancers; Palmer and Harvey, Hebrew comedians, and John A. West, the musical Brownie. The burlesques balance the vaudeville end of the show, with original humor and rich costuming, and music.

Gillette Next Week.

An event of more than usual interest to theatergoers is the visit of William Gillette to the Alvin theater for an engagement of one week, beginning on Monday next. It is two years since Mr. Gillette has been in Pittsburgh, and his return will undoubtedly prove to be one of the most successful engagements ever played here. In addition to the fact that Mr. Gillette is one of the most popular

actors of the present day, an actor who, by his perfectly natural methods, imparts to his impersonations an atmosphere which is intensely realistic, the play of "Sherlock Holmes" is undoubtedly one of the most healthy, interesting and entertaining dramas ever seen on any stage. Mr. Gillette's company is this season a very strong one, and it is announced that this will be his last visit to Pittsburgh in the Doyle story.

Advance Sale at Grand.

The sale of seats for New Year's week of the pantomime at the Grand, which began yesterday, promises to be even greater than that of last week. There was a long line which formed as early as 6 o'clock, extending all the way around the lobby, and this was scarcely broken during the entire day. Two ticket sellers were kept busy from 9 a. m. until 10 p. m., when the office closed, selling seats for New Year's week.

FOREFATHERS' DAY.

New England Society of Pennsylvania Celebrates Event by Banquet Held at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The New England Society of Pennsylvania observed "Forefathers' Day" by giving the annual dinner tonight at Horticultural hall. Assistant United States Attorney General James M. Beck, president of the society, acted as toastmaster, and he was surrounded by a large circle of distinguished natives of New England.

Senator Hoar answered the historic toast "Forefathers' Day." Former Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith told of New England men in the presidential cabinet; Senator Foster of Washington responded to the toast "New England in the West." Senator Platt of Connecticut spoke on "New England in the Senate," and Congressman Littlefield of "New England in the House."

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 22.—President Arthur Lord of the Pilgrim society of Boston was the principal speaker today at the eighth annual banquet of the New England society of Detroit.

QUARANTINE LIFTED.

Not a Single Case of Foot and Mouth Disease in State of Connecticut.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The quarantine against Connecticut on account of the epidemic of foot and mouth disease in New England was removed formally today by an order issued by Secretary Wilson. The order takes immediate effect and permits cattle, sheep, and other live stock to be shipped out of the state without restriction.

A most rigid investigation by a corps of experts working under the personal direction of Dr. Salmon, chief of the bureau of animal industry, has failed to reveal the existence of a single case of the disease in Connecticut.

First Monday Night Dance.

The first of the Monday Night Subscription dances this season was held last evening at the Schenley. It was a very smart affair, and the ballroom was filled with well-known young people of the East End and Shadyside. The dances are given under the direction of a committee consisting of Curtis C. Hussey, Gardner Steele and John Brandon Guthrie. The patronesses are Mrs. Henry Kirke Porter, Mrs. Persifor F. Smith, Mrs. James Howard Park, Mrs. William J. Moorhead, Mrs. Lawrence Dilworth, Mrs. Robert Walker Guthrie, Mrs. H. D. W. English, Mrs. D. G. Stewart, Mrs. Curtis C. Hussey and Mrs. Frank J. Hearne.

An Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Walmer announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Luella Kathryn, and James L. Klingensmith. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride in Swissvale avenue, Wilkinsburg, January 8.

DAVID FOX HAD MANY TROUBLES

Says Wife Took His New Trunk and $300 and Rifled Children's Banks.

BOXED LIKE FRENCHMAN

When Arrested at His Complaint, She Tried to Kick Him in Face, in Front of Shocked Police Official—Man With Her.

Laura Myrtle Fox of Jeannette is an advocate of the French method of boxing. After packing her clothes in a new trunk, bought for her husband's Christmas present, and annexing $350 of the family funds and the silverware for a new start in life, she wended her way to Pittsburgh and when he had her arrested tried to "kick" his head off" in front of the police officials, who were becomingly shocked at her unwifely display of hosiery.

Mrs. Fox made a special trip to Pittsburgh last Thursday to buy the new trunk as a Christmas gift to her husband David. Whether she had any thought of making her exit from his life in style at that time or whether she became suddenly infatuated with another man while on her shopping tour is not known, but at any rate she disappeared the next day with all her best clothes. According to Fox's story she also took the trunk, $350 of his money and $50 from the savings banks of their two children, whom he afterwards found at his father's home in Greensburg.

Fox gave pursit and while on his way to Union station in company with Lieut. McAvoy, to see if the Christmas trunk had been lifted, he encountered his wife on New Grant street in company with Charles Brown of Paterson street, South Side. She was promptly arrested and taken to Central station in company with Brown.

When brought before Superintendent McAleese for a hearing she gave an exhibition of high kicking, in an effort to spoil her husband's countenance, that was a revelation to at least the police portion of the audience.

Both she and Brown were locked up as suspicious persons in spite of her complaint that her husband had not treated her "like a lady."

WANTED REAL MONEY FOR FAKE CLOTHES

Sharper Worked Two Hotels and Was Highly Successful at One.

An unsuccessful attempt was made last Saturday afternoon to victimize the Hotel Schenley out of $40, by a slick hotel swindler, who operated in Pittsburgh for a few hours. Previous to the try of the Schenley the Hotel Lincoln was worked for $47 on the same scheme, but the smooth stranger, when he found his game blocked at the Schenley, shook the dust of the city and the efforts of the combined police and detective forces to locate the man failed.

Shortly after 3 o'clock a boy appeared at the Schenley registering desk with a suit box, supposed to contain a suit of clothing. The lad told George DeShields, the day clerk, the package was C. O. D. for the Hon. J. B. Finley, president of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company, who lives at the hostelry.

The messenger handed the clerk a receipted bill from James Dickson, a local tailor, for $40 and asked for the cash. He was informed C. O. D. packages were never received at the hotel unless persons left orders for them, and the lad went away.

The stranger rode out from the city to Atwood street, where he picked up the boy, and giving him 25 cents sent him to the hotel with the package, with instructions to get the money before leaving. When the messenger was informed of the stringent rules of the hotel he started in search of the stranger.

The crook evidently saw the boy returning with the suit and suspecting his game had been blocked fled. The boy waited at the street corner for an hour and finally took the package to the Oakland police station where it was opened by Inspector Robert Dennison and found to contain bricks and waste paper.

The lad was able to give the police a good description of the man but their efforts to catch him proved futile. A few hours before the same game was worked successfully on the clerks at the Hotel Lincoln. A telephone message, purporting to come from E. H. Sothern, the actor, was received. It stated Mr. Sothern expected a suit of clothes to be delivered and asked the clerk to pay the charges and send the package to his room immediately.

The money was paid the messenger boy and the suit box taken and sent to Mr. Sothern's room. When the actor returned to the hotel in the evening he was told of the package and on opening it found also bricks and paper in the box.

REITZ REPLIES TO HIS CRITICS

Declares That if He Has Gone Wrong Others Have Violated Pledges.

RAILROAD BILLS CITED

Thirty-Fifth Ward Member Proposes That All Bills Be Held Up Until General Franchise Ordinance Is Passed.

"If it was a violation of campaign pledges when we passed the City Electric Company's ordinance without limiting the term of the franchise, then every Citizens councilman who voted for the Wabash and the Pennsylvania railroad ordinances, violated their pledges, for neither of these ordinances contain a limitation clause," said Common Councilman William C. Reitz of the Thirty-fifth ward, yesterday, in replying to the criticism of his colleagues upon the attitude of the five Citizens members who were responsible for the approval of the City Electric Company's bill by the corporations committee, last Friday night.

"There was no provision regarding either taxation or limitation of franchise in the Wabash and Pennsylvania railroad ordinances when they were reported to councils by the corporations committee," said Mr. Reitz. "I offered an amendment to the Wabash ordinance, which was adopted, making it subject to any general tax imposed in any general ordinance that might, thereafter, be passed. W. H. Stevenson of the Fourteenth ward, had the same amendment inserted in the Pennsylvania ordinance. There was no proposition offered, however, to limit the franchise of either railroad.

Pledges Not Violated.

"I do not understand it to be a violation of a campaign pledge when we refuse to impose a tax at the expense of new competitors. The criticism that has been heaped upon the five Citizens of the corporations committee is unjust, for we take the position that both old and new companies should be taxed alike, and that all we can do is to make new corporations subject to any general ordinance that may be adopted hereafter.

"We voted to tax the Pennsylvania Light, Heat and Power Company, the Co-Operative Light, Heat and Power Company and the Pittsburgh Time and Signal Company because these companies asked to be taxed. I would have been in favor of putting their ordinances through on the same basis as the City Electric Company's, but the other Citizens on the committee would not listen to this proposition.

"I want to do what is right and I think it would be a good plan to hold up all ordinances, including the City Electric measure, until a general ordinance has been enacted. This has been my idea from the first and I believe it would solve the present difficulty.

"It would be unfair to lay a tax upon a new company and leave an old company untaxed. A 5 per cent tax would be a big handicap upon a new concern. For example, I know of a corporation that is capitalized at $400,000 and does a business of $2,000,000 a year. Suppose this company was taxed 5 per cent of its gross receipts. This would amount to $100,000, or one-fourth of its capital stock. It could not afford to pay a tax like this while a competitor which does the same amount of business is left untaxed."

Meeting to Reconsider.

Councilman Reitz stated that he would attend the meeting of the corporations committee tonight, which has been called to reconsider the action of last Friday night. He said that he had not made up his mind how he would vote, but stated that he was anxious that the matter should be adjusted in a manner just to all parties concerned.

Common Councilman D. J. Bole of the Nineteenth ward, who stated in The Gazette yesterday that he would go into councils and take the same position that he did in the corporations committee, said last night that he was ready to vote differently if it could be shown that he had made a mistake.

President Charles S. Crawford, who has taken the initiative in calling another meeting of the committee, stated yesterday that he did not think that the Citizens who had voted for the City Electric ordinance, had been influenced by any improper motive. He said the five members were men of honorable intentions and had simply erred in judgment.

Through a misapprehension Councilman D. F. Crawford of the Fourteenth ward, has been classed with the members who voted against the taxation and limitation of the City Electric franchise. Councilman Bole claimed that Mr. Crawford had stated in the committee that the platform of the Citizens was wrong, and that members should not go into councils and stand on it.

Mr. Crawford stated yesterday that his remarks were misconstrued. "What I did say was if the Citizens' platform were wrong we should not go into councils and stand on it, but I also said that I believed the platform was not wrong," stated Mr. Crawford.

Mr. Crawford was one of the seven members who voted to tax the City Electric Company, and to insert in the ordinance the limitation clause incorporated in the other ordinances.

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FAIRBANKS WILL VOTE WITH QUAY

Indiana Senator Favors Admitting New Mexico and Arizona as States.

OPPONENTS WEAKENED

Dillingham's Speech Aroused Ire in Southwest and Many Delegations Coming to Washington to Help Quay in His Fight.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.

It was stated today upon good authority that Senator Fairbanks of Indiana could be counted definitely in favor of the omnibus statehood bill. Up to this time there has been fear expressed that Mr. Fairbanks would vote with the majority of the Republican senators, who are opposed to the measure, but it is now said that there is no longer any room for doubt.

In supporting the measure Senator Fairbanks is acting the part of consistency, since he was chairman of the committee on resolutions of the last Republican national convention, which reported the plank of the platform declaring that the territories of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona should be admitted to the union as states. Senator Quay recently reminded the Indiana senator of this fact on the floor of the senate, but there are a number of senators who were members of that convention who now oppose statehood for these territories. They evidently do not consider themselves bound by the party platform.

The announcement that Senator Fairbanks can be counted upon as a sure supporter of the bill will add to the strength of the position of Senator Quay and his friends and will detract in measure from the strength of the opposition. It is a significant fact that Senator Beveridge, Senator Fairbanks' colleague, is the leader of the opposition.

It is said that the lobby from the territories will be greatly increased after the holidays and each of them will send delegations to demonstrate to the senators from the effete east that the citizens of the territories are not all wild and woolly. The speech of Senator Billingham is said to have aroused considerable bad blood in the west.

L. W. STRAYER.

CHICKAMAUGA PARK IDEAL CAMPING GROUND

Gen. H. V. Boynton Makes Report on Condition of Famous Battlefield.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In his annual report to the secretary of war, Gen. H. V. Boynton, chairman of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga national military park commission, takes occasion to dispose of, finally and officially, the reports which have found currency from time to time impugning the healthfulness of the park. He says:

"In view of the sensational reports charging that the park is an unhealthful tract, it is proper to say that during the past year it has been free from serious disease and has fully maintained its long record before the war with Spain and for the period subsequent to that time for exceptional healthfulness."

The commission asks an appropriation of $40,000 during the coming year, stating that hereafter there will be no further necessity for appropriations for the work of establishing the park beyond those required for its maintenance, and this will not exceed $30,000 per annum.

The commission constructed a great many roads through the park in some of the most interesting parts of the battlefield. It has 20 gun carriages to be placed which will make 16 confederate battery positions, marked on Missionary Ridge and a total of 270 guns. The state of Ohio has appropriated $35,000 for a state monument, and 12 regimental and battery monuments on Chattanooga field, and $30,000 for a monument on Missionary Ridge and for bronze tablets. Maryland has appropriated $7,000 for a regimental and a battery monument on Orchard Knob.

The commission points to the fact that the park is rapidly becoming of practical use to the government, having served as the camping ground of the Seventh cavalry and the Third battery last year, affording one of the most perfect field camps in the country.

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR.

Financial Condition of Suspended National Bank Encouraging to Creditors.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The comptroller of the currency has received the report of the receiver of the National bank at Hyndman, which was closed December 16. The assets are $101,317. The receiver estimates the doubtful and worthless bills receivable and other assets to be worth $11,500. The liabilities are $43,032.

It does not appear probable that the creditors of the bank will suffer any loss, the late president, J. J. Hollitzell, having agreed to pay the face value of all claims proved against the bank and thus become, practically, its only creditor.

CAPITAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue show that the total amount for November, 1902, was $19,285,337, a decrease as compared with November, 1901, of $3,893,503.

Five hundred million dollars, gold, is the amount of American capital invested in Mexico by 1,117 American companies, firms and individuals, according to estimates prepared by Consul-General A. D. Barlow at Mexico City.

Admiral Frank Wildes, the junior squadron commander of the Asiatic station, has been condemned by a board of medical survey, and having been ordered home, sails next Friday. Capt. Sperry has been temporarily assigned to the command of the Southern squadron in place of Admiral Wildes.

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ELKIN CLEANS HOUSE FOR HIS SUCCESSOR

Private Secretary to Governor Elect Looks Over Ground at Harrisburg.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

HARRISBURG, Dec. 22.—Attorney General Elkin came to Harrisburg early this morning for the purpose of beginning the work of clearing his desk for his successor in office. He tackled the appeal the department will take from the storeorder decision of the Dauphin county court and will have it prepared for presentation tomorrow.

Mr. Elkin claims that the court erred in declaring the law unconstitutional and will cite numerous precedents to sustain his contention that the act is valid. This will end his connection with the case which will be passed up to his successor when he relieves Elkin.

Henry S. Dotterer of Philadelphia, private secretary to Gov.-Elect Pennypacker, was in Harrisburg today looking over the ground and getting some idea of the problems that will confront him during the next four years.

Mr. Dotterer was met on his arrival here by Private Secretary Gerwig, who immediately took him to the executive department and presented him to Gov. Stone and the clerical staff of the department. Mr. Gerwig made a tour of the departments with his successor and introduced him all around.

Mr. Dotterer was favorably impressed by the members of Gov. Stone's immediate official family and the prominent members of the other departments with whom he will be in close touch during the next administration. He will look around awhile before he takes a house in Harrisburg and will not remove his family here before spring. He returned to Philadelphia on an afternoon train.

ENGINE RUNS WILD, CAUSES TWO WRECKS

Lever Fails to Respond to the Engineer's Hand and Two Deaths Are the Result.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

LIBERTY, IND., Dec. 22.—A helper engine on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad got beyond control early this morning, made two wild runs between Connersville and Liberty, wrecked two freight trains, demolished four engines, killed two men and injured three others.

Engineer Callahan of the helper ran to College Grove, helping a freight. He was to take switch east of Liberty. When he got to the switch and attempted to reverse, part of the machinery would not respond, and the engine got beyond his control.

The locomotive dashed toward Liberty, running into a grade east of here, where it ran into a freight engine and partly wrecked it. In some way the helper was reversed and started back, running through Liberty at the rate of 70 miles an hour. It dashed into another freight, which was being hauled by two engines.

Mike Foley of Indianapolis, brakeman, and Rounton Osborne of Connersville, fireman on the helper engine, were killed.

DON'T COVER HANGING.

United States Supreme Court Renders Decision on Life Insurance Problem.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The question of the effect of murder upon a life insurance policy when issued upon the life of the murderer was today passed upon by the United States supreme court in an opinion delivered by Justice Brewer.

The case in which the opinion was delivered was that of C. M. Burt vs. the Union Central Life Insurance Company. William E. Burt of Travis county, Texas, was the name of the man insured. His policy was made payable to his wife, Anna M. Burt, and in case of her death, to his executors. During the following year Burt's wife died and he afterward was charged with her murder, and was found guilty and convicted. Afterward the heirs of the estate made an effort to collect upon the policy, but the insurance company resisted payment.

The lower courts, including the court of appeals for the fifth circuit, sustained the protest of the company and today's opinion affirmed the decision of the court of appeals, holding the policy invalid on the ground that to sanction payment under the circumstance would be contrary to public policy.

TEN MEN SURVIVE, ELEVEN ARE DEAD

Terrible Tale of Suffering as Result of Collision of Two Schooners.

ADRIFT THREE DAYS

Six Carried Down With Sinking Vessels, Four Die from Exposure and One Goes Insane and Jumps from Drifting Boat.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The 10 men picked up yesterday by the schooner Manhassett almost crazed from their sufferings, frostbitten and helpless, gave the first news that the schooners Frank A. Palmer and Louise B. Crary had been in collision and that they had been sunk off Thatcher's island on Wednesday evening. The survivors were landed here this morning. Of the 21 men who made up the two crews six were carried down when the two vessels sank, four died during the terrible three-days' drift in Massachusetts bay and another became insane and jumped overboard.

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With no food or water, their clothes frozen in solid masses and their boat being steadily drixen before a bitter gale out into the Atlantic, it seems remarkable that so many survived. The list of dead and living follows.

Crew of the Crary:

J. F. SMITH, mate, Portland, Me.
W. H. HOWLAND, engineer.
HANS BLANK, German seaman.
DAVID SHANAHAN, Newfoundland.
AUGUST JOHNSON, Swede.
OLAF BERG, Norwegian.
PETER LACHE, South American.
UNKNOWN SEAMAN.

Crew of the Palmer:

FRANZ BANTA, Finland.
EDWARD GORGESEN, Norway.
ALBERT SPEARLING, Philadelphia.

The Survivors.

Crary—Capt. William H. Potter, Orient, L. I.; Louis Stein, engineer.

Palmer—Capt. J. E. Rawding, South Boston; S. Reinhart, Providence, R. I.; Axel Lundstrom, Finland; Edward Somerville, Providence, R. I.; Daniel Carlsen, Norway; C. Elfornsen, Sweden; Vinton, mate; Hjalmar Sahoyer, New York.

Two schooners, both heavily laden with coal, doubled Cape Cod in company and ran into a strong northwester on Wednesday night. Both captains put their vessels over towards the Cape Ann shore. When off Thatcher's island they split tacks and finally both came about at the same time and headed toward each other, the Crary holding north on the port and the Palmer south on the starboard tack and therefore having the right of way.

The survivors were today inclined to lay the blame of the accident on Mate Smith of the Crary, who had charge of the deck at the time and who went down with the ship. They are of the opinion that he thought he could weather the Palmer, but instead the Crary crashed into the bow of the Palmer.

Some Killed by Collision.

The cut was deep and it was seen instantly that there was no hope for either vessel. Most of the small boats were smashed and some of the men killed by the collision, but others of both crews by quick work launched the long boat of the Palmer, into which clambered the captains of both vessels and 15 others.

There was not a moment for storing food or water in the boat and the rowers had propelled it only a short distance from the schooners when the Palmer went down. Three minutes later the Crary disappeared.

Without food and water, drenched to the skin, spray freezing to their garments because of the biting cold, the 15 survivors underwent sufferings indescribable. Four men of the Crary on Friday lay down in the bow of the boat and that night died. Eleven remained up till Saturday night, when Franz Banta went insane under the delusion that his mother beckoned to him and he walked into the sea. The others were powerless to restrain him.

Dead Buried at Sea.

Shortly after this the two captains decided that the bodies of the four dead men should be consigned to the deep and bending over them, Capt. Potter of the Crary, repeated as much of the burial service as he could remember. Then the strongest of the survivors put the bodies overboard.

In the three days and a half the men were afloat their boat drifted steadily off shore until at 8 o'clock Sunday morning it was 45 miles off Highland light. There the lookout on the fishing schooner Manhassett caught a glimpse of the boat and within half an hour the 10 men were in the cabin of the schooner. Capt. Malone at once crowded on all sail and brought the survivors into Boston and they were taken to the Relief hospital.

During the day the patients improved steadily. They describe their experience as a most terrible one. The death of Banta, the Finlander, is recalled as most pathetic. In his delirium he saw home and a Christmas tree and his mother beckoning him to her over the water. He stepped over the side of the boat in response to the fancied summons and was swallowed up.

DERELICT BLOWS UP.

Sailor Loses His Life by Striking Match on Standard Oil Barge No. 48.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Dec. 22.—The vessel on fire which attracted attention off this port last night was the Standard Oil barge No. 48.

She was a derelict and was being towed into this port by the Gloucester fishing schooner Blanche. She was set on fire by accident and George Riley, one of the crew of the Blanche, lost his life.

Riley had gone aboard the barge to look for a cable. He lighted a match to aid in his search. An explosion followed and Riley was blown to pieces.

The barge caught fire and burned for several hours. It was loaded with gasoline.

BROOKS ON TRIAL.

New York Police Inspector Accused of Unlawfully Breaking Into Alleged Gambling House.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The preliminary hearing in the case of Inspector Brooks, who is accused by David W. Bucklin of breaking into Richard Canfield's house on the night of December 1, was begun today before Magistrate Brann. John Delehanty, Canfield's attorney, who was present at the time of raid, told of the affair. Mr. Delehanty was being questioned as to the contents of the house when ex-Judge Fursman, counsel for the defense, remarked, concerning the gambling implements found there:

"Supposing they were. He had a perfect right to have them. You can buy them in any sporting goods store in New York, and I could have them in my house if I wished without violating any law."

Inspector Brooks testified that he had gone to the house with search warrants.

Finding the doors locked he ordered Sergeant Cohen to effect an entrance by a window, which he did. He himself had received his instructions from Deputy Commissioner Piper. The hearing was adjourned until Friday.

HAVE YOU ANY OF THESE

Symptoms of a Very Common Trouble?

There is no disease so common in the United States as catarrh, because it appears in so many forms and attacks so many different organs.

It is a common mistake to suppose that catarrh is confined to the nose and throat. Any inflammation of the mucous membrane, wherever located, accompanied by abnormal secretions, is catarrh. Catarrh of stomach or bladder or intestines is nearly as common as nasal catarrh and much more serious, although it is true that stomach catarrh and catarrh of other internal organs is the result of neglected nasal catarrh.

A new remedy has recently appeared which, so far as tested, seems to be remarkably effective in promptly curing catarrh, wherever located. The preparation is sold by druggists generally under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and in addition to being very palatable and convenient, possesses extraordinary merit, in many cases giving immediate relief from the coughing, hawking and constant clearing of the throat and head, those symptoms with which everyone is familiar who has ever suffered from colds in the head and throat.

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Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are composed of Blood root, red gum and similar antiseptics and catarrh specifics, from which it will be seen that no secret is made of the ingredients and also that no mineral poisons are used, as is the case with many well-known catarrh medicines.

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All druggists sell them at 50c for full sized package. You can use them with assurance that you will not contract the cocaine or morphine habit, as the results from this catarrh cure are apparent from the first day's use.

WOULD FORM "CARNATION LEAGUE" TO HONOR PRESIDENT McKINLEY.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 22.—The "Carnation League of America" is the name of a new patriotic movement proposed to the trustees of the McKinley National Memorial association. The idea originates with Lewis G. Reynolds of Dayton, and it will be submitted to the trustees at their coming meeting in Washington. In referring to the proposition today, Mr. Ritchie, secretary of the McKinley monument association, said:

"Mr. Reynolds' conception is interesting and extraordinary from many view points. He proposes that the carnation league shall have a 'creed' framed from some notable words of Mr. McKinley, and it shall be a perennial memorial to his honor, statesmanship and patriotism. Every member of the league would wear a carnation on each recurring 14th day of September—the anniversary of our late president's death."

The proposition meets with the hearty approval of Judge William R. Day, president of the McKinley National Memorial association, Treasurer Myron T. Herrick and Senator Hanna.

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News of Nearby Towns and Country

GEN. DICK IS BOOMED FOR OHIO'S GOVERNOR

Myron T. Herrick Also Finds a Champion in a Steubenville Newspaper.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

AKRON, O., Dec. 22.—Gen. Charles Dick, representative of the Nineteenth Ohio congressional district, chairman of the Republican state executive committee, and prospective candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination, arrived at his home in this city this morning, and will spend the holidays here. Gen. Dick maintains the same attitude which he has assumed for the past few weeks in regard to his candidacy and positively refuses to make his intentions known.

"If I become a candidate for governor," he said, "it will only be because I would be considered the most available candidate. My wishes in this matter are only for the good of the party. The position of representative in congress from this district is a highly honorable one, and I will be perfectly content to remain as I am unless it becomes evident that the Republicans of Ohio desire that I become a candidate for governor."

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Congressman H. C. Van Voorhis, who arrived home yesterday, says Gen. Dick will, without doubt, be the next governor of Ohio. Taking all his elements of strength into consideration, he does not believe Dick has an equal in the state as a gubernatorial candidate. Voorhis thinks Senator Hanna will either support Dick or keep entirely out of the fight.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Congressman J. J. Gill's paper, the Herald-Star, comes out today with a lengthy editorial insisting on the candidacy of Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland for the Republican nomination for governor, because he is the only man who can wrest the Cuyahoga representative to the general assembly from Tom L. Johnson and save them for Hanna's candidacy for the senate.

INCENDIARIES HUNTED BY MOUNTED FARMERS

Burning of a Barn Supposed to Be Result of Threatened Vengence.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 22.—Suspects in the daring hold-up and robbery of Levi Silvis and sons, near Pleasant Unity a year ago, are believed to have wreaked an often-threatened vengeance by burning his barn this morning. All of Unity township is aroused over the alleged incendiarism, Mr. Silvis being one of the most prominent farmers of Westmoreland county, and a posse of farmers on horseback has been searching for the supposed firebugs.

Last December Mr. Silvis and two sons were beaten in their home by six desperadoes, who made a thorough search of the house for valuables. Several arrests followed. Alexander Lutz, a criminal with a long record, was convicted of the robbery and given a lengthy term in the Western penitentiary. The other suspects were acquitted.

Since the trial Mr. Silvis has received a number of threatening letters for his prosecution of the gang. One letter was of recent date, and said that Lutz would be avenged in the very near future. Mr. Silvis adopted extreme precautionary measures and never left his home unless fully armed.

The fire was discovered soon after 4 o'clock this morning. Mr. Silvis had just arisen, and was building a fire in the kitchen stove before going to the barn to feed the stock. At personal risk and with great difficulty he rescued the live stock, but all of his farming implements and almost all of his crops were consumed. Only a partial insurance was carried, and the loss will be fully $5,000. The county officials are determined to bring the offenders to justice, and detectives may be employed.

BLOODHOUNDS LOST TRAIL.

Robbers Were Traced for Some Distance at Charleroi.

CHARLEROI, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Thieves made their appearance in this vicinity last night. At the Vandergrift distillery they secured a quantity of whisky. From the distillery they went to the Valley Supply Company's store, at Allenport, where they secured jewelry and drygoods worth about $200.

Chief of Police Philip Snow was notified and put his famous bloodhounds on the trail at the distillery. They followed the trail from the distillery to the store at Allenport, and from the store they went up the railroad track for half a mile, where the trail ended, and the dogs were unable to pick it up again. It is supposed the robbers boarded a freight train.

Rescued from Drowning.

GREENVILLE, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Edward Jones, a prominent resident of the West Side, fell into the Shenango river yesterday while walking over the false work of the new bridge being constructed over the river at Main street. Edward Keck plunged into the water after him and both were swept down stream to a temporary foot bridge, which Keck grasped and landed Jones safely. Keck is a famous diver and yesterday's rescue was his tenth.

Hanged for Assault.

RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 22.—Jerry Kimbrough, convicted of assault upon Mrs. Taylor, of Hanover county, about a month ago, was hanged at Hanover court house today. He confessed the crime.

Maj. Gen. Chaffee Visits His Birthplace in Ohio.

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Maj. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee is tonight enjoying a reception in the little town of Bristolville, which is in the vicinity of his boyhood home. It is his first visit to the scenes of his younger days in 20 years. His birthplace is southeast of Orwell, this county, in the rural district. The building is still standing and is much prized as a relic. Gen. Chaffee arrived in Ashtabula at noon today and was met by a committee of citizens. He left on the afternoon train for Bristolville. He will return here tomorrow night en route east, and a public reception will be tendered him.

During his visit to his old home he will see the spot where, as a lad, he made snow forts. His love for things military was very noticeable in his youth. It was also noticed that he was a leader among his boy companions. When 16 years of age he plowed and hoed corn on the farm. He attended the district school and the Methodist Sunday school.

PREPARING TO CELEBRATE HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY

(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—As well preserved as many men a score of years his junior, John Lauffer is rounding out the last of a full century at his home in Harrison City. On January 26, 1903, Mr. Lauffer will celebrate his hundredth birthday, and almost all of Westmoreland county is interested in the celebration. Committees have been appointed to make arrangements for a fitting observance of the day, and it is altogether probable that the program will be of a public character.

Mr. Lauffer is in the best of health, when his years are taken into consideration, and his physicians declare that he should round out the full century of years. His mind is so clear that he can converse on the topics of the day with an intelligence that is remarkable. He shows great interest in the affairs of his town, county and state and he reads the papers regularly.

When the weather is favorable he strolls about Harrison City and everywhere is given a cordial greeting, for everybody knows "Grandfather" Lauffer. Mr. Lauffer was born on the farm on which he resides. His father emigrated to Western Pennsylvania in 1777, settling near Pleasant Unity. In 1794 the family moved to the Hezekiah Wangaman farm, where John Lauffer was born. He was the third of seven sons. He also had five sisters.

The life of Mr. Lauffer has been eventful and he can tell many stories of the olden times. He was one of the first millers of Westmoreland county. Frequently he made the journey to Philadelphia on foot and his business interests often called him to Ohio river towns. He has been twice married and his unions have been blessed with 12 children.

GIRL IS SHOT DEAD AND LOVER IS IN JAIL

Beautiful Young Woman Is the Victim of a Bullet in West Virginia.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 22.—One of the most shocking tragedies that has ever occurred in this county took place Sunday afternoon near Lock 6, on the Kanawha river below Charleston, and as a result Minnie Rutledge, the beautiful 16-year-old daughter of William Rutledge, a butcher of this city, is dead, and Jay T. Robinson, aged 17, is in the county jail charged with her murder. The affair is shrouded in mystery as to details and Robinson refuses to talk, but the cause of the shooting seems to have been the result of jealousy.

Robinson had been paying attention to the girl for some time and it is said had threatened her because she allowed the attentions of others. Sunday afternoon they were out walking and were seen by several persons, among them J. G. Pierce and W. H. Zimmerman, who were nearby when the shot was fired, and, hastening to the spot whence the report came, found the girl mortally wounded, while Robinson was attempting to get away. Pierce arrested Robinson and brought him to Charleston, where he was turned over to the authorities.

Miss Rutledge lived only a few minutes, the bullet having entered her abdomen and lodged near the spine. The coroner's investigation today resulted in finding Robinson guilty of firing the fatal shot. Robinson refused to answer any questions except to admit having been with the girl. One of the witnesses at the investigation testified that Robinson had said Miss Rutledge fired the shot herself. Robinson has been clerking at a grocery in this city and his parents live here.

Charged With Murder.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Ernest Kniseley is in jail here charged with the murder of John Wheeler. Both men lived at Johnstown, this county. Last Thursday, in a quarrel, Kniseley, it is alleged, threw a stone and struck Wheeler on the side of the head. Saturday evening Wheeler died. Kniseley surrendered himself to Squire Lewis, who committed him to jail here today. Application is being made to Judge Mason for bond for Kniseley.

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CANTON HOTEL MAN SUED FOR DIVORCE

His Wife Names Well-Known Woman Guest as Co-respondent.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CANTON, O., Dec. 22.—Walter J. Crawford, proprietor of the Barnet hotel, one of the largest in Canton, has been sued for a divorce by his wife, Mrs. Nora Crawford, on the charge that Crawford became intimate with Miss Helen Beery, who has been a guest at the hotel for some time. The woman named as a co-respondent in the petition filed by Welty & Albaugh, attorneys for the plaintiff, is well known in this city.

The wife alleges that her husband became infatuated with Miss Beery and that he paid more attention to her than he did to his wife. Specific charges of infidelity are made against Crawford in the petition.

Crawford for some time was proprietor of the Hotel Yobe in this city, but several weeks ago took charge of the Barnet. The petition was filed last Thursday, but the matter was kept from the public while an attempt was made to settle the case. In addition to a divorce Mrs. Crawford asks for alimony and also that her maiden name be restored.

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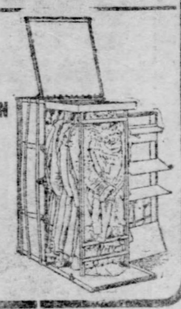

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Table Linen	.25 to 1.00
Napkins	1.00 to 4.00
Turkey Red Covers	.75 to 2.50
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Crochet Spreads	.75 to 2.00
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Lace Curtains	.75 to 10.00
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Silk Waists	2.50 to 6.00
Cloth Waists	1.00 to 3.00
Satin Skirts	1.00 to 3.50
Silk Skirts	6.00 to 10.00
Monte Carlo Coats	7.50 to 15.00
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Ladies' Walking Skirts	3.00 to 8.50
Ladies' Dress Skirts	5.00 to 10.00
Ladies' Fleeced Vests	.25 to .50
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Nearseal coats—21, 22 and 24 in. long, newest shape—large collar, reduced from $35.00 to 25.00

Persian lamb jackets—some with collar and reveres faced with mink—very latest styles, lined with satin—reduced from $150.00 to 85.00

Seal jackets—richest genuine Alaska seal skin—London dye, latest box front styles—large round collar—reduced from $225.00 to 175.00

Children's fur sets of boa and muff in white, angora, French chinchilla, French thibet, etc.—prices $5.00 down to 98c

Fur boas or cluster scarfs—in sable fox, brown marten or Isabella fox—large tails—reduced to 3.98

Fur boas—beautiful black fox or blue lynx, extra long, also Alaska seal and Isabella fox boas—reduced from $25.00 to 18.00

Fur scarfs—full and fluffy—double length or cluster effect—mink, brown marten, Isabella or sable fox and squirrel—reduced from $14.00 to 9.00

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Women's kimonas—made of heavy warm, double-faced French flannelette or crepe cloth—colored grounds with large contrasting designs and side band of contrasting facing, reduced to 3.98, 2.98 and 1.69

Women's house gowns or wrappers in fine all-wool cashmere—handsomely trimmed with ribbon ruffles and lace inserting—lined throughout, reduced from $5.00 to 3.98

Zephyr shawls—women's large size hand knitted umbrella shawls, with deep scalloped borders—plain white and black or with lavender, pink and light blue borders, especially reduced to 98c

Knitted shawls—women's large heavy Shetland wool knitted shawls—beautiful patterns—deep border—heavy fringe, reduced to 1.75

Girls' all-wool coats—fancy mixtures and plain materials—¾ or short box styles—with or without large cape collar—some trimmed with narrow braid—reduced from $3 to 1.85

Girls' stylish coats in all-wool Scotch mixtures and plain kerseys, full length and shorter effects—full ripple back—puff sleeves, with turn-back cuffs, reduced from $5.00 to 2.85

Girls' splendid coats—full length, ¾ or short box styles—with or without large cape collar—several materials—reduced from $7.50 to 4.98

Girls' dresses, in stylish Scotch mixtures or plain blue, red, brown and green—neatly trimmed with ribbon or lace—lined throughout—reduced from $4.00 and $4.50 to 2.75

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"We're cutting down the prices BEFORE instead of after Xmas."

Boys' all-wool suits reduced from $2.50 and $3.00 to only 2.00. All strictly stylish and up-to-date garments, including double-breasted, vestee and Norfolk without the yoke styles, made of fine all-wool dark mixtures, brown, green, olive and grey mixed cheviots and cassimeres—all sizes up to 16, at 2.00

Boys' $6.50, $7.00 and $8.00 dress suits reduced to 5.00. The ultra fashionable velvet suits, with 15 rows of silk braid and rich embroidery and anchors on sleeves, in the latest Russian blouse style—also the cutest Peter Thompson style suits, serge sailor suits, double-breasted, Norfolk and 3-piece suits, choice 5.00

Boys' $3.00 and $3.50 overcoats and reefers—among them are stylish red, oxford and brown automobile and Russian overcoats, long cut oxford frieze overcoats, heavy nap chinchilla reefers with ulster or velvet collar—all sizes 2½ to 16, reduced to 2.00

Youths' Overcoats that have been selling for $8.00, $9.00 and $10.00, reduced to only 5.00

This extraordinary offer is for today only. The overcoats come in all-wool friezes and fancy cheviots, plain oxford and swell plaid and over-plaid effects, full length overcoats, ¾ length, double faced cloth box overcoats in grey and tan shades, etc.—all sizes up to 30 in. breast measure—and only 5.00 for choice from all.

Boys' $6.50, $7.00 and $8.00 overcoats and rain coats reduced to 5.00. Here you will find the most fashionable kersey overcoats in red, royal, tan, and navy, Russian overcoats, Gibson overcoats, full length box overcoats, Irish frieze long coats and swellest rain coats, all sizes 2½ to 16, reduced to 5.00

"¼ million" clothing sale

"The sale you hear the men talking about everywhere."

As previously announced, this sale is being utilized by the leading manufacturers of the country as an outlet for the big surplus stocks which the backward season forced them to dispose of at a sacrifice. Among the makers whose goods are included it is but necessary to mention Alfred Benjamin & Co., A. Dinkelspiel Co. and Fechheimer-Fischel Co. to prove the excellence and superiority of the clothing now finding such a quick and ready sale here at 6.50, 9.00 and 14.00.

The $8 and $10 suits and overcoats go at 6.50

The $12 to $15 suits and overcoats go at 9.00

The $20 and $22 suits and overcoats go at 14.00

No matter which line you choose from, you're bound to get a big bargain.

Men's house coats reduced

"A Practical gift at a low price pleases giver and recipient."

All our $7, $8 and $9 house coats and bath robes reduced to only 5.00

Fine Australian pure wool blanketing lounging robes—best terry cloth and eiderdown robes, with silk binding and girdle—matelasse and plain cloth coats, lined with silk, etc.—not every size of each particular kind, but all sizes 34 to 46.

Boys' soft eiderdown and terry cloth bath robes, just like the big fellows wear—all shades—former prices $2.00 and $3.00—reduced to 1.48

Austrian lounging robes—floral and Persian effects—also fine terry cloth bath robes—reduced to 2.98

Double faced cloth house coats—silk cord all around—fancy patterns—also plain coats with silk quilted facing and cuffs—reduced to 3.95

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ALL EUROPE IS SEARCHED FOR PRINCESS

Wife of Heir Apparent to Throne of Saxony Disappears.

SLIPPED AWAY DURING NIGHT

Rumor That She Eloped Is Current, but Has Not Been Confirmed.

ALL OFFICIALS BAFFLED

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

Dresden, Saxony, Dec. 22.—The crown princess of Saxony fled from her home on the night of December 11. The Dresdener Journal today says:

"The princess, in a state of intense mental excitement, suddenly deserted her family at Salzberg and went abroad. The Saxon court functions for the winter, including the New Year's reception have been canceled."

The foregoing paragraph in today's Journal, which was inserted by order of the king and crown prince of Saxony, has turned into truth what for several days past has been regarded as an incredible tale. The crown princess of Saxony, who was surrounded by her ladies in waiting and numerous attendants and servants of the royal household, has vanished so utterly that the police of every kingdom of Europe have for 10 days been unable to trace her.

The official announcement was made in order to obtain the aid of the general public in finding the princess and because the court fiction that she preferred to remain in retirement at Salzberg rather than to return to her husband and children at Dresden cannot longer be maintained.

Disappeared in the Night.

Accompanied by the crown prince the princess went to the castle of Emperor Francis Joseph, near Salzberg, Austria, a month ago. A week after their arrival at the castle the prince broke his leg while hunting and was brought back to Dresden. The princess, however, remained at the castle. Why she did so the people of the court did not know, except that with gloomy tenacity the princess usually does whatshe pleases. For a little while this explanation sufficed, then fragments of gossip began to reach Dresden.

It was said that the princess had surrendered herself to periods of nervous excitement and that her eccentricities of deportment caused much concern to her suite and to some of her Austrian kinsfolk who were staying in the castle with her. It is now believed that she was under surveillance and, if this is true, it makes her disappearance the more extraordinary.

The narrative of the events at Salzberg during the nights of December 11 and 12 as told in Dresden, is that the princess, who appeared to be in an unusually tranquil mood, retired before 12 o'clock. Three hours later, when a maid looked into the royal bedchamber something in the appearance of the bed prompted her to go closer and examine it.

Left Dummy in Bed.

Instead of the princess the maid perceived a dummy figure. She awakened the lady-in-waiting and the latter, with other members of the princess' suite, searched all the neighboring apartments, then the entire castle and finally the grounds of the castle for the princess, but no trace of the missing woman was found.

At dawn the police of Salzberg were informed of the disappearance and inquiries were made throughout the whole countryside, but with no tangible result. A number of what had been said to be traces of the princess were shown to be without foundation upon careful examination by the police.

The inquiry by the end of that day had extended to all parts of the kingdom of Saxony, and, on authority from Dresden, by the end of the second day to all Europe. The theory of suicide was suggested and a fruitless search for the princess' body has been made. All the ponds in the vicinity of the castle have been dragged without result.

The disappearance of the princess doubtless will cause the circulation of many stories. It is already related that she eloped, but inquiries made here have brought out nothing to substantiate or support this statement.

Was Discord in the Family.

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—The flight of the crown princess of Saxony has caused great excitement here. It is rumored that the Archduke Ferdinand, accompanied by one of the court chamberlains, went to Geneva whither it was supposed the princess had fled, but he failed to find any trace of her. The princess' brother, the Archduke Leopold Ferdinand, is said to be with her, but nothing can be ascertained as to her whereabouts.

It is officially explained that the princess' disappearance is due to mental derangement. There is little doubt, however, that it was caused by domestic discord growing out of her husband's relations with an actress of the Dresden court theater. It is asserted here that the princess frequently threatened flight on this account and that she was incensed at her father, the grand duke of Tuscany, for counseling her to forgive her husband.

It is rumored here tonight that the princess was accompanied by the French tutor of her children.

PRESIDENT LOUBET ACCEPTS NEW HONOR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Col. Asa Bird Gardner, president of the Rhode Island State Society of the Order of the Cincinnati, has received from President Loubet of France an acceptance of honorary membership in the order. The president said it was doubly agreeable to accept as a souvenir of the glorious alliance of arms, which united two nations in the war of the American revolution.

FIFTY CANARIES FLEW AWAY YESTERDAY

Only Half a Hundred Songsters Left at Campbell's.

Bird music will cheer many a home this winter that has not been brightened with the warbling of canaries until now. Campbell sold half of his last hundred canaries yesterday and the remaining 50 will doubtless be eagerly bought today by the people in quest of Christmas gifts that give pleasure for many a day. They keep up a continuous concert on Campbell's second floor that is a delight amid the din of the Christmas trade.

STEEL CAR WRECKS THE REAR WALL OF SEVEN STORY RAILROAD OFFICE BUILDING.

Like so much paper the seven-brick rear wall on the first floor of the big seven-story building at Penn avenue and Tenth street, formerly occupied as the general offices of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, was crushed in shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday morning. A steel car forced itself through the rear wall of the building almost to the full length of the car and finally stopped in the room occupied a few months ago by the general manager. A great hole 18 feet square was torn in the rear of the building where the car entered. No one was hurt.

The car was the last of a number in a train which was being backed down the Pennsylvania freight yards. About 10 cars broke loose from the rest of the train, the brakes did not work, and the unattached cars gained such a momentum that the bumper was smashed down. The first car to strike the building forced its way through the heavy wall, knocked into many shapes a steel vault, ruined the plumbing and did all sorts of damage, the trucks finally plunging through the floor into the cellar.

The offices have been unoccupied since the general manager and the other Pennsylvania lines west officials were transferred to their new offices in the Union station. The second and higher stories are used by the division offices of the Ft. Wayne and the Panhandle, but no one has yet occupied the first floor, where the damage was done.

THREATENED AN EARTHQUAKE UNLESS SHE WAS RELEASED

"My power is from heaven. I have divine aid and there is no good reason that I should be locked up here. Open this door, will you? If you don't I'll call down aid from on high and be loosed from this prison cell."

Thus spoke Laura Barker, who was locked up in the Oakland police station shortly after 7 o'clock last night charged with drunkenness by Policeman Michael Ragan. The policeman said he found the woman wandering around near Brady and Forbes streets and claimed she was intoxicated.

The woman was placed in a cell. She did not appear drunk, but her mind is said to be unbalanced over religious affairs. She claims to live in Sharpsburg and says she belongs to a prominent East End Methodist Episcopal church.

"They know I'm a good Methodist and they are all Catholics here. That's the reason they locked me up. There's going to be another earthquake, and that pretty soon, too, if they don't release me from this place. My bonds will be loosed just the same as those of Paul and Silas were. My power is dangerous. No policeman is able to tear down what I have built up. I have been doing good in Pittsburgh for the past 10 years and they had better not try to interfere with my work while I'm on earth."

PARIS AWAITS THE HUMBERTS

All Other Public Questions in France Are at a Standstill.

MAY INVOLVE OFFICIALS

Arrest of the Alleged Swindlers Is Expected to Cause New Sensations, Compromising Distinguished Persons.

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The extradition proceedings against the Humbert family, who were arrested in Madrid Saturday, are being pushed rapidly. The public awaits anxiously the return to Paris of the fugitives.

Not since France was shaken by the Dreyfus affair has the country been so intensely interested as it is by the developments in this case. For the moment the Venezuelan trouble has become obscured and French newspapers are devoting their energies to elaborate presentations of the celebrated case. Some papers assert that the arrest of the Humberts is only a prelude to even more sensational developments which involve personages in the foremost rank of political, judicial and social affairs.

The indications are that the Dreyfus matter also will be again dragged before the public, and that there will be a renewal of animosities. Deputy Gauthier has taken the initiative in asserting that the relatives of Dreyfus are among the heaviest creditors of the Humberts, and that this alleged fact exercised an important influence in the highest governmental quarters during the Dreyfus trial.

Veiled allusions have been made to some of the men most prominent in public life, some newspapers even going so far as to name those alleged to figure directly or indirectly in the affair.

When the chamber of deputies resumes its session, the Humbert question probably will become one of the chief elements in politics. Already the matter has swayed ministries, and it caused a recent sensational tumult in the chamber.

Plans have been formulated for the return of the Humbert party to Paris, and a number of the best men in the department have been detailed to conduct the prisoners across the frontier. The utmost precaution will be taken to prevent their escape and guard against the possibility of any of them committing suicide.

A preliminary notice was made this afternoon on behalf of Mme. Humbert's daughter, asking for her provisional release and committal to the custody of her grandmother, but this motion was refused by the court.

Tobin Sentenced to Die.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Thomas Tobin was today sentenced to be electrocuted during the week beginning February 9, 1903, for the murder of Capt. James B. Craft of Glen Cove, L. I., in September last.

NOBLE EARL'S MONEY GONE BEYOND RECALL

Man Who Won Lord Rosslyn's Cash Discharged from Custody in New York.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Herald Building, Herald Square, NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

Protesting that he had been forced by the Cunard line peiple to appear as prosecutor, Earl Rosslyn today told his story about the poker game on the Etruria, in which he lost something like $1,500 and then accused his companions in the game of unfair play. Jerome McKay, the man arrested when the liner arrived, was discharged by Magistrate Duell, who said he had no jurisdiction as the offense alleged had been committed on the high seas.

"Your honor," interrupted Earl Rosslyn, "I did not make complaint. The officers on the ship insisted that I should do as I have done and when the detectives had made the arrest they also insisted that I should appear here. I do not wish the notoriety and did not care to do anything. I lost my money, that's all."

"I guess it is," replied the magistrate. "We can do nothing here. It might be that the United States authorities could do something. I must discharge the prisoner."

Earl Rosslyn turned to McKay, who stood at the bridge, and whispered something to him. Then McKay was taken to the clerk's desk and regularly discharged. Earl Rosslyn was asked what he intended to do further.

"Nothing more. I suppose," he said. "Oh, yes, I do intend to stop the check I gave to a man named Owens. It was for $150. McKay won the most. He quit the game $1,420 richer."

NEW ARMY UNIFORM.

Special Board Decides That It Shall Have Blue Facings Instead of White.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The special army board on the new army uniform had a meeting at the war department today and decided in favor of the use of blue facings for the uniforms instead of white facings, as had been suggested.

The action of the board was based mainly on the fact that many officers had gone to the expense of having their new uniforms made with the blue facings in conformity with the original action of the board and it was thought that the work had gone too far to justify a change simply to gratify a taste in the matter of color. There is a strong sentiment in favor of white facings in the army despite the action of the board and the matter will not be settled until finally passed on by the secretary of war.

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CLIMAX IS REACHED IN MASCAGNI'S WOES

Composer Suffers from Nervous Prostration and Western Tour Is Abandoned.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The American tour of Pietro Mascagni and his Italian opera company came to a sudden close today, in this city, with the cancellation of all dates.

The culmination of Mascagni's woes came last evening, when an attachment was made on his personal effects by a constable representing a local claimant for $134.

As a result of his financial difficulties, Mascagni is now confined to his room at the Auditorium annex suffering from nervous prostration. The company was scheduled to leave Chicago at 9 o'clock this morning for a tour of the west, the first engagement to have been at Keokuk, Ia.

Year in Jail for Swindling.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—William W. Bristol was sentenced today in the federal court to a year in the county jail for the fraudulent use of the mails in connection with the Surety Guarantee and Trust Company, of which he was manager. John R. Prime, former adjutant general of Iowa, was the victim. Prime claimed to have been swindled out of $1,500.

Convicted Bigamist Dies in Jail.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 22.—Oscar J. Lesher, recently convicted of bigamy and sentenced to the penitentiary, today died very suddenly in the county jail. He was arrested in Baltimore.

BE SURE.

Be sure you need medicine before you take it, but having once found you need it—lose no time in getting the best. If it's for the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder or Blood, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia or for Chronic Constipation, the best is Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and a very simple way to find out if you need it is to put some urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment or a milky, cloudy appearance; if it is ropy or stringy, pale or discolored, you do not need a physician to tell you that you should take Favorite Remedy at once. It speedily cures such dangerous symptoms as pain in the back, frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, burning, scalding pain in passing water, the staining of linen by your urine and all the unpleasant and dangerous effects produced on the system by the use of whisky and beer. All reliable druggists sell Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy in two sizes, 50c and $1.00 per bottle.

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All $2.50 Calendars go for...$1.55
All $3.00 Calendars go for...$1.95
All $3.50 Calendars go for...$2.45
All $4.50 Calendars go for...$3.15
All $6.00 Calendars go for...$4.25

Remember, this is not a sale of soiled or damaged Calendars; every customer will get a clean, fresh Calendar in its original band and box.

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Just as you enter the store you will find a large counter filled with beautiful gilt books, books for boys and girls, books for the older people, these books are wonderful books for the money, bound in rich cloth, gold stamped, gilt tops; they all go for..... **50c**

We have an immense stock of the new fiction of the season; nothing makes a better gift than a good novel in handsome binding; here are some of the leaders:

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We did not think we would have any Dolls left the way they were carried off on Saturday, but we have brought out all our reserve stock, it is all clean and fresh—every Doll in its original wrapper and box; every Doll in the house goes at the following sweeping reductions:

All $ 1.00 Dolls go for.... 65c
All $ 1.15 Dolls go for.... 70c
All $ 1.25 Dolls go for.... 75c
All $ 1.35 Dolls go for.... 85c
All $ 1.50 Dolls go for.... 95c
All $ 1.65 Dolls go for....$ 1.00
All $ 1.75 Dolls go for....$ 1.15
All $ 2.00 Dolls go for....$ 1.25
All $ 2.25 Dolls go for....$ 1.50
All $ 2.50 Dolls go for....$ 1.65
All $ 2.75 Dolls go for....$ 1.85
All $ 3.00 Dolls go for....$ 2.00
All $ 3.25 Dolls go for....$ 2.25
All $ 3.50 Dolls go for....$ 2.45
All $ 3.75 Dolls go for....$ 2.65
All $ 4.00 Dolls go for....$ 2.85
All $ 4.50 Dolls go for....$ 3.00
All $ 5.00 Dolls go for....$ 3.25
All $ 5.50 Dolls go for....$ 3.50
All $ 6.00 Dolls go for....$ 3.75
All $ 6.50 Dolls go for....$ 4.00
All $ 7.00 Dolls go for....$ 4.50
All $ 7.50 Dolls go for....$ 4.75
All $ 8.00 Dolls go for....$ 5.50
All $10.00 Dolls go for....$ 6.50

If you have any thought of a doll purchase don't neglect this opportunity; the variety is big and the values offered cannot be equaled. We have a large line of dressed and undressed, jointed and kid dolls at 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and 85c.

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Two whole days and late into the evenings left for the careless—a Short-Time Notice of the "Lest-You-Forget" sort.

Those who taboo crowds will come in the early morning or after the evening dinner. But lots of people think there is nothing so merry as shopping when Christmas crowds are largest.

Christmas Table Linen at Less Prices.

Brighten the Christmas board with a new dress of Linen. Of course it will be a gift to the lady of the house, but then the whole family can enjoy it.

Briefly of the finer sets of Damask:

$4.50 for bleached Damask Table Sets—2½x2-yard Cloths and one dozen 20x20-inch Napkins to match.

$6 for bleached Damask Table Sets—2x3-yard Cloths and one dozen 24x24-inch Napkins to match.

$7.50 for bleached Damask Table Sets—2½x3-yard Cloths and one dozen 24x24-inch Napkins to match.

$10.50 for bleached Damask Table Sets—2x4-yard Cloths, and one dozen 24-24-inch Napkins to match.

$14.50 for bleached Damask Table Sets—2½-4-yard Cloths, and one dozen 24x24-inch Napkins to match.

$18 a set for bleached Damask Table Sets—choice of Cloths, 2½x2½ yards to 2½x6 yards, and one dozen 24x24-inch Napkins to match.

Artificial Plants.

Much Less Than Half Price.

We have selected from our Artificial Plants used in decorating our Millinery Parlors quite a lot of fine Palms and assorted Plants, and today will sell them for very much less than such decorations are usually sold for.

Time to throw a Christmas look through the house.

At 25c each instead of 75c, at 50c instead of $1.50.

Men's Colored Shirts.

You will be surprised to know that we are selling stacks of colored Shirts for gifts.

That is a new idea of the practical gift.

It is undeniably a good one. We have to say that our lines of colored Shirts are complete in the very latest patterns and the most approved colorings.

$1, $1.50 and $2 each.

Art Objects, Rare and Beautiful.

For the rare gift, as well as the unique, a visit to our fifth floor Decorative Studios, will be filled with pleasure.

We are showing many imported pieces, such as
Dainty Chairs for Drawing Room and Boudoir, copies of the French and English Schools of Design.
Fine specimens of old style Grandfather Clocks, with and without chimes.
Unique Portable Five O'Clock Tea Tables, of inlaid mahogany and plate glass.
Screens of carved wood and hand-tooled leather.
Reading Lamps copied from Pompeiian forms.
Curious groups in bronzes and silver from Japan.

Christmas Hints Among Household Sundries.

Basement.

Drop Lights, with fancy cast brass portables, three styles of finishes, all complete with tubing, worth $5, at $2.50.

Imported decorated and gold traced china Spice Boxes, worth $2, for $1 each.

Imported Japanese Tin Spice Sets, six spice boxes in a nicely painted case, worth 75c, at 50c each.

Today a Half-Priced Sale of Women's Trimmed Hats.

Some specially nice models that can be used advantageously by people who are at their wits' end to know what to give.

It seems to us that any lady would be very proud to receive such a gift for Christmas wear.

Here are the reduced prices:

Beautifully trimmed Hats at $1 from $3.50, at $2.50 from $5, at $3.50 from $7.50, at $5 from $10, at $7.50 from $15.

Artificial Flowers can be used in many ways other than in the trimming of Hats. You can call into action your ingenuity. These reduced prices on a variety: At 10c from 25c, at 25c from 50c, at 50c from $1.

Warm Underwear for Christmas Giving.

The good sorts, made by such noted manufacturers as the Norfolk and New Brunswick Company, the American Hosiery Company, Dr. Jaeger, Dr. Deimel and others.

These makes both for women and children.

Brief hints on some of our Knit Underwear:

Silk Vests, long sleeves, $2.25 to $6 each.
Silk Vests, low neck, $1 to $8.25 each.
Cotton Vests, 25c and up to $1.50 each.
Black Wool Tights, 75c to $2.75 each.

We are making a specialty, for Holiday gifts, of fancy Vests, the top crocheted and the trimming of exquisite lace.

Women's Eiderdown Robes and Paris Lingerie.

House garments that embody beauty and comfort of the highest order—such as anyone would expect of a garment made of eiderdown. The Women's Department, second floor, has a complete line of these Robes in many different designs—many pretty colors, and the price range begins at $3.75 and runs along to $25.

Tea Gowns and fancy Lounging Robes, nearly all from Paris, undeniably beautiful, exquisite French effects, charming colors, in a price range beginning at $10 and ranging easily along to $185.

Genuine Mexican Drawnwork.

Like a great many other things this work of Mexican nuns is widely imitated. It is seldom that one runs against the genuine.

We have pleasure in saying that in the Indian Exhibit, on our third floor, that we are now showing, as an interpolated feature, a great variety of doilies, handkerchiefs, center pieces, tea sets, chiffonier covers and table covers, that came direct from the monasteries and convents in the City of Mexico.

These are the handsomest specimens of Mexican hand-drawnwork that ever came to this city. For the exquisite Holiday gift they speak for themselves.

Half Prices Among the Toys.

In effect from now until close of store tomorrow night. But please understand the half prices refer only to the following trio:

All Christmas Tree Ornaments—half former prices.
Dolls' White Enamel Furniture, half former prices.
Quite a number of pieces of Mechanical Figures—half former prices.

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DRY GOODS

THERE is no question about our being ready for any number of fur buyers—no question about your buying if you will only look.

CHRISTMAS FURS

We are not amateurs to begin with and we are offering greater stocks than ever before. It would be hard to find better fur and pelts shaped into handsomer garments at such reasonable prices.

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MINCE MEAT MAKES GOOD XMAS PIES

It is a perfect blending of Choice materials. Ask your grocer for a jar when doing your Christmas marketing.

WINNERS IN THE ESSAY CONTEST

41 Pupils and 10 Teachers Receive Prizes from Carnegie Museum Directors.

LETTER FROM CARNEGIE

A Large Increase in Contestants Over Last Year and Second Only to the Record—Dr. Holland Made the Awards.

Before a crowd that comfortably filled Carnegie music hall, the award of prizes in the seventh prize essay contest was made at 7:30 o'clock last night. Besides the wards of prizes to 41 scholars of the various schools of Pittsburgh, who took part in the contest, the 10 teachers who furnished the greatest number of contestants were also remembered with prizes provided by the directors of Carnegie museum. A letter from Andrew Carnegie was read by Dr. Holland.

SCHOOLS OF ENGLAND FOLLOW PITTSBURGH

"Dr. W. J. Holland, Director of the Carnegie Museum:

"In reply to your request for a few words I beg to say that the prize essay contest now attracts attention abroad. More than one to whom your annual reports are sent has referred to this as unique. The directors of the schools of Perth have adopted the idea. More cities are sure to do so. Let us hope so, for this puts Pittsburgh in its proper place. She leads, other follow. I shall read the prize essays as usual with interest and show them proudly to my friends.

"Yours always,
"ANDREW CARNEGIE."

The contestants this year numbered 813, many more than last year and second to the record. The greatest number of essays ever turned in was three years ago, when 840 were received. A total of $280 in prizes was distributed last night.

In the absence of President William N. Frew of the Carnegie Institute trustees Dr. W. J. Holland, director of the museum, presided and made the address of welcome. The opening prayer was made by the Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Leak, pastor of the Oakland Methodist Episcopal church.

Teachers Remembered.

The Hon. Samuel Andrews, superintendent of public instruction, made an address. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Henry T. McClelland. The Rev. T. Hall McIlvane read the report of the judges and Dr. Holland awarded the prizes to the scholars.

Col. Samuel Harden Church, secretary of the board of trustees of the Carnegie institute, made the awards of prizes to the teachers. The teachers' prizes were books, and among them were the butterfly book by Dr. Holland. Col. Church's "Penruddock of the White Lambs," John Fiske's "New France and New England," and a sketch of the life and work of Andrew Carnegie.

The teachers who received awards are as follows:

Step 13—Miss Carrier, Fulton school, 38 contestants; Miss Laura Saint, Fulton, 36; Miss M. V. Neeper, Garfield school, 36; Miss McClurg, Lucky school, 33; Miss E. C. Harsha, Peabody school, 40; Miss Margaret Johnston, Peabody school, 38; Miss Margaret McQuiston, Sherrett school, 37.

Step 14—Miss Greves, Lincoln school, 66 contestants; Miss Belle Hanlon, Peabody school, 33; Miss McMillan, Sherrett school, 33.

AMONG THE PUPILS.

The prize winners among the pupils were:

HIGH SCHOOL.

First year—First prize, $15; "Marc Antony," Walter Gray, 15 years, 1338 Denniston avenue. Second prize, $10; "Elliot Couse," Norman Forester, 15 years, No. 4714 Firth avenue. Third prize, $5; "Kathryn Armstead," Persis Harris, 15 years, No. 7118 Bennett street.

Second year—First prize, $15; "Annie Moore," Carrie Zoeller, 15 years, 146 South Sixteenth street; second prize, $10; "Joe," Joseph D. Imhoff, 15 years, No. 6806 Penn avenue; third prize, $5; "Oliver Goldsmith," Lawrence Martin, 15 years, No. 94 California avenue.

Third year—First prize, $15; "Tannhauser," Fred Lissfelt, 15 years, 133 South Twentieth street; second prize, $10; "Sir Joshua Reynolds," J. Edgar McClelland, 16 years, No. 136 Merriman street; third prize, $5, "Pumpkin," Jennie Hattie Hastage, 16 years, No. 1437 Penn avenue.

Fourth year—First prize, $25; "Silica," D. Marian Walker, 18 years, No. 23 Mawhinney street; third prize, $5; "Ben Dave," Allan Davis, No. 815 Bluff street.

STEP FOURTEEN.

First prize, $15—"Bob o'Lincoln," Hattie L. Zeigler, 14 years, No. 14 Lanark street.

Second prize, $10—"The Black Prince," Arthur Henrici, 13 years, No. 317 Shetland avenue.

Third prize, $5—"Regulus," Anna Adelman, 15 years, No. 719 Fifth avenue.

$2 prizes—"Jackdaw," Anna Caplan, 13 years, No. 92 Franklin street; "Joan Maclean," Lillian Stephens, No. 3411 Forbes street; "Gertrude Hall," Gladys Hall, 13 years, Mission and Sterling streets; "Vivian Ayres," Jennie Nieman, 16 years, West End; "The Whistler at the Plough," Joseph Reid, 15 years, No. 139 Meridan street; "Salome," Jennie M. Fisher, 13 years, No. 534 Winfield street; "Laura Nelson," Cora G. Finkelhor, 14 years, No. 12 Hallock street; "Killoolet," Mabel Keith, 13 years, No. 6421 Kentucky avenue; "Nokomis," Irmgarde Loschorn, 15 years, No. 260 Chislett street.

STEP THIRTEEN.

First prize, $15—"Colonel," Frank Gould, 13 years, No. 40 Oneida street.

Second prize, $10—"Jenny Wren," Dana K. Harris, 13 years, No. 7103 Bennett street.

Third prize, $5—"Sherlock Holmes," Milton Baird, 14 years, No. 7228 Meade street.

$2.00 prizes—"Lehte Renrol," Mary Ethel Forner, 14 years, No. 826 South Linden avenue; "Kitty Lalace," Katharine N. Castle, 14 years, No. 1805 Wellesley avenue; "John B. Smoker," William Alcorn, 12 years, No. 5224 Hays street; "Janice Meredith," Lily Creevy, 12 years, No. 1010 North St. Clair street; "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," Lillian S. Kaufmann, 13 years, No. 5055 Forbes street; "Cock Robin," Karl W. Glass, 14 years, No. 220 Craig street; "Mack A. Roon," Ruth Thomas, 11 years, No. 101 Oneida street; "Josephine Jane Green," Edith Chaddock, 14 years, No. 6817 McPherson street; "Lady Godiva," Anna Shaughnessy, 13 years, No. 9 Edith street.

PREPARATORY SCHOOLS.

First prize, $25—"Polly Ross," Mary Christy, 10 years, No. 320 Fisk street, Pittsburgh Academy.

Second prize, $15—"Lancelott Gebbe," John S. Carlile, No. 6017 Hoeveler street, Pittsburgh Academy.

Third prize, $10—"Heap-big-Talk," Bishop Cole, 14 years, No. 341 Summit street, Pittsburgh Academy.

PHIPPS PRIZE WINNERS.

Children of First Ward Schools, Allegheny, Had a Interesting Contest.

The names of the winners of Henry C. Phipps' prizes in the First ward schools of Allegheny were announced last night. At the beginning of the school year Mr. Phipps turned over to Principal M. H. Young a tidy sum to be distributed in prizes among the scholars who made the best showing in committing and reciting famous productions.

The First ward of Allegheny was Mr. Phipps' boyhood home and he has always displayed a great interest in its public school. The children entered into the competition with the greatest interest, and as a result 80 of them won prizes, as follows:

Hazel McKenzie, Katie Drum, Mary Marshall, Malcomb Maloy, Hedwig Neibker, Margaret Maloy, Rosie Lloyd, Robert Williamson, Ella Rhom, Mary McCarthy, Rose Montgomery, Francis Grady, Teresa Lloyd, Harper Jackson, John Morrison, Rosie Teplitz, Elsie Simpson, Sadie Snair, Marion Sherman, Verner Allen, Margaret Henderson, Harry Pressler, Charles Miller, Anna Taylor, May Wilson, George Taylor, Viola Linhart, Anna Torrence, Blanche Pryor, Augusta Miller, Lillian Hanna, Arthur Donado, Willie Richards, Eva Womer, Ella McGinney, Max Spann, Nellie Horne, Helen Stewart, Jeannette Pickles, Olive Beisner, Edna Beilstein, Bessie Roxbrough, Lillie Higgins, Raymond Harris, Florence Voriel, Bertha Gray, Cary Bruce, Clara Gray, Mary Roush, Josephine Hastings, Marion Heinle, Katherine Hanan, Bertha Smith, Bessie Preston, Irene Creagh, Edna Reynolds, Willard McDonald, Alex Wood, Hymen Freshman, Raymond Artz, Arthur Clemens, Earl Briceland, Sarah Boyle, Eva Wood, Francis Murphy, Florence Henderson, Florence Beason, Nova Hilleary, May Smith, Clara Bennett, Jennie Gribben, Alwin Oliver, Anna Paterson, Anna Allebach, Isabella Perret, Anna Perret, Emma Williamson, Margaret McCarthy, Francis Fisher, Nannie Marshall, Tillie Bell, Priscilla Fawcett, Martha Meir, Sarah Johnson, Ella Howard, Jean McIntosh, Hazel Kaiser, Ethel Sutmeyer, Mable Blackstone.

MANY YOUNG BRIDES ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Early Marriages in Order at This Season—Rush for Licenses Begins.

Young brides will be a feature of this Christmas. The usual rush for marriage licenses began yesterday, when 43 were issued. Twenty-one persons required the consent of parents or guardians. Of this number 18 were girls and 3 boys.

The youngest Christmas bride-to-be is Miss Elizabeth Grimm, who is just 14 years old. She was born in Fayette county and lives in Port Perry. Her intended husband, James Hill, is 21 years old, is a native of Ireland, and lives in Port Perry.

Cora Wangler, aged 15 years, is the next youngest of the Christmas brides-to-be. She was born in Venango county and lives at Hites station. Her intended husband, George Waltman, is nine years her senior, a native of this county, and lives at Cheswick postoffice.

The marriage licenses issued yesterday were as follows:

John A. Cobb	Pittsburgh
Minnie M. Schoeller	Pittsburgh
John P. Hammond	Swissvale, Pa.
Nellie Cosgrove	St. Petersburg, Fla.
Richard Lockeus	Carnegie
Margaret L. Dempster	Carnegie
William M. F. Campbell	McKees Rocks
Laura M. Lyon	McKees Rocks
Harry E. Tracey	Pittsburgh
Ada M. Richardson	Pittsburgh
P. N. Myers	Allegheny
Anna L. Scholes	Allegheny
William Widman	Allegheny
Lillian Schnaufer	Allegheny
David Colker	Pittsburgh
Fanny Malein	Sharpsburg
Albert F. Uhl	Pittsburgh
Maud E. Ryan	Braddock
Calvin Brandon	Pittsburgh
Georganna Coleman	Pittsburgh
Martin C. Fehl	Allegheny
Elizabeth Tschmme	Allegheny
David C. Jackson	Millvale
Marie Fuchs	Allegheny
Frank Grommers	Pittsburgh
Gertrude Creely	McKees Rocks
James Hill	Port Perry, Pa.
S. Elizabeth Gerimm	Port Perry, Pa.
Samuel Harris	Pittsburgh
Anna Priestley	Pittsburgh
Jan Steinsko	Pittsburgh
Eva Oravec	Pittsburgh
Emlyn Morris	Homestead
Nora Goodwin	Homestead
George B. Martin	Pittsburgh
Anna S. Miller	Pittsburgh
William L. Jones	Pittsburgh
Adela Chambers	Turtle Creek, Pa.
James H. Emerick	Gradatian P. O., Pa.
Elizabeth Dunn	Gradatian P. O., Pa.
George Waltman	Cheswick P. O., Pa.
Cora Wangler	Hites Station, Pa.
Francis M. Baker	Turtle Creek, Pa.
Della M. Long	Turtle Creek, Pa.
James M. Fagg	Carnegie, Pa.
Lillian Thoston	Elizabeth, Pa.
C. A. Gates	Clarksburg, W. Va.
May McMullen	Allegheny
Omniboni Coffo	Pittsburgh
Fina Parenti	Pittsburgh
Lee Terrell	Allegheny
Queen E. Staples	Allegheny
Edwin J. McElvried	Wilkinsburg
Edna G. Bullock	Pittsburgh
Carl Hallberg	Youngstown
Ida Nyblad	Pittsburgh
Patrick Rossiter	Allegheny
Mary Smith	Allegheny
John W. Heskett	Wilmerding, Pa
Emily M. Nagle	Pottsville, Pa.
Edward Nichols	Sturgeon, Pa.
Annie E. Pliance	Sturgeon, Pa.
Etan D. Best	Hope Church P. O., Pa.
Blevinah M. Davis	East Liverpool, O.
Stewart M. Pressling	Fayette Co.
M. Etta Steyer	McKees Rocks
Leonard Zankel	Pittsburgh
Helena Wilhelm	Pittsburgh
Clifton Raught	Avonmore, Pa.
Tirzah White	Parnassus
Harry M. Steele	Allegheny
Grace E. Hale	Pittsburgh
Joseph E. Dunn	Sheraden
Reggie K. Benhart	Sheraden
John C. Neelan	Carnegie
Agnes Loginensky	Carnegie
William E. Woods	Pittsburgh
Agnes D. White	Pittsburgh
Colin H. Thompson	Pittsburgh
Edna F. Calley	Pittsburgh
Andi Szuchy	Allegheny
Marie Kuhar	Allegheny
Robert McGowan	
Henrietta Moss	
Percy H. Johnston	Ellsworth, Pa.
Louise A. Laufmasser	Ellsworth, Pa.

WILL REACH MANY.

Committees Find Hundreds of Recipients in Homestead and Braddock for Schwab's Beneficence.

Christmas Day is to be an unusually happy event for all the very poor families in Braddock, North Braddock and Homestead, through the liberality of Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel Corporation. Mr. Schwab some time ago had a committee of citizens appointed to seek out the needy poor for the purpose of bringing some cheer into their homes by giving them money for the purpose of buying food and toys for the children.

The committee on the Christmas funds in the three boroughs met yesterday and a list of the deserving poor was presented by the several members. In Braddock and North Braddock 220 families are to receive donations of $4 each. Many of those who are to be assisted by Mr. Schwab's munificence are those who are too old to work. Part of the fund was set aside for the purchase of toys for poor children.

The entire list of Homestead families has not yet been submitted, but each family recommended will get $5. In addition to this, Mr. Schwab has provided for Christmas treats for the children in all the Sunday schools in the three towns. For these charitable acts, Mr. Schwab gave $4,000.

MINISTERS MET.

Approach of Christmas Kept the Attendance Down Yesterday.

By reason of the preparation for Christmas services the attendance at the ministerial meetings yesterday morning was unusually small. At the meeting of the United Presbyterian ministers the Rev. Howard S. Wilson, in a paper on "How Can We Most Profitably Observe Christmas?" made a plea for the drama.

The weekly meeting of the Lutheran Ministerial association of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, met in Trinity church, Stockton avenue, Allegheny. The Rev. C. P. Wills presided. After the reports of the ministers were read, the Rev. J. C. McDowell, recently appointed field secretary of the home mission board, read his report. The Rev. A. J. Turkle spoke on "Christmas Gifts For the Poor," and the Rev. S. T. Nicholas read a paper on "Special Dangers to Which a Preacher Is Subjected."

At the Methodist Episcopal association, Prof. Frank C. Lockwood of the Meadville college read a paper on "Emerson as a Writer and Thinker." The Presbyterians heard a paper by the Rev. A. D. Carlisle on "A Most Valuable But Little Used Mine of Sermonic Material."

The Rev. A. K. Kline of Braddock was to have read a paper before the Reformed ministers, but was unable to attend. The committee appointed to find a temporary place of worship for the congregation of Grace church also failed to report. It is expected that the work of demolishing the present structure in Webster avenue will be started about the first of the year. Efforts are being made to have temporary services in the Y. M. C. A. building.

KING EDWARD VII. STICKS TO CABLE

Does Not Trust Wireless Telegraphy to Carry His Reply to Earl Minto.

MARCONI MUCH PLEASED

Does Not Give Way to Hysterical Rejoicing Because of His Absolute Certainty of Result—Receives Congratulatory Messages

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 22.—Among the host of congratulatory messages which have been pouring into Marconi probably the three following are the most interesting. The first is from Lord Knollys, private secretary to his majesty, King Edward:

"I have had the honor of submitting your telegram to the king. I am commanded to congratulate you sincerely from his majesty in the successful issue of his endeavors to develop your most important invention, the king has been much interested by your experiments."

The second, and possibly the one which Marconi values most highly of all, is from the acknowledged king of the hosts of the inventors of the nineteenth century. It reads:

"Congratulate you most sincerely on your success.

"EDISON."

The third, from the veteran inventor of the telephone, Charles Bell, follows:

"Hearty congratulations. Rejoice at your success."

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Times today prints the text of the wireless Marconi message received from the Canadian government, as follows:

"OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The government of Canada, through the Times, desires to congratulate the British people on the accomplishment by Marconi of the greatest feat modern science has yet achieved.

"CARTRIGHT, Acting Premier."

The representatives of the Marconi company say they have been receiving transatlantic messages for a week. They add that the messages to King Edward and others came through without a hitch and practically instantaneously. It is calculated that the company will be able to handle 1,000 words per hour. As soon as it is able to get the postoffice authorities to connect Poldhu with the inland telegraph the company will commence regular commercial business between Cornwall and Nova Scotia.

Marconi has expressed mild satisfaction with the results recently obtained, but the manager here said the inventor was always so sure he would be able to achieve his aim that they did not expect him to be enthusiastic. Marconi is going to Cape Cod, where his apparatus only needs slight adjustment before it will be ready to be linked up with Poldhu, which at present is the only wireless station on this side capable of receiving transatlantic messages. Other stations will shortly be built on the continent.

OTTAWA, ONT., Dec. 22.—The king's reply to Lord Minto's message sent by wireless telegraphy was received today by cable, as follows:

"LONDON, Dec. 22.—I am much interested by the wireless message which you have sent me and am delighted at the success of Signor Marconi's great invention which brings Great Britain and Canada into still closer connection.

(Signed.) "EDWARD, R."

ROME, Dec. 22.—King Victor Emanuel this morning received a wireless message from Marconi, forwarded from Cape Breton via Cornwall, and sent a congratulatory reply.

RELIEVED SUFFERING.

Pittsburgh Turners Aid Victims in Anthracite Region.

Widows and orphans of the five victims of the recent Luke Fidler colliery disaster near Shamokin, Pa., are giving heartfelt thanks to the North American Turnerbund and to the Pittsburgh representatives of that national association of German societies. Yesterday at Shamokin William Sieber, treasurer, and Emil Schmid, secretary, of the Pittsburgh district of this society, gave $50 to each of the widows. This makes a total of $2,800 distributed among the victims in the anthracite region within the past two weeks by this organization.

The Pittsburgh district officials were named as the central body, to receive the money and deliver it to the victims. Their mission at Shamokin yesterday was to carry out this duty.

Gusky's Orphanage Tour.

Preparations are being made for Gusky's annual tour of the orphanages of the two cities on Christmas day, when presents will be distributed to the children of the institutions.

WHAT TO EAT.

Conducted by Lida Ames Willis, Marquette building, Chicago, to whom all inquiries should be addressed.

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MENUS.

Wednesday.
BREAKFAST.
Fruit.
Cereal. Cream.
Minced Mutton on Toast.
Creamed Potatoes.
Coffee.
LUNCH.
Egg Cutlets. Oyster Sauce,
Hashed Potato Roll.
Sliced Oranges. Hot Gingerbread.
Tea.
DINNER.
Brown Vegetable Soup.
Macaroni au Gratin. Stewed Tomatoes.
Dutch Salad.
Cheese. Wafers.
Peach Tapioca. Coffee.

Thursday.
BREAKFAST.
Cream Toast. Stewed Dates.
Liver and Bacon. Stewed Potatoes.
Griddle Cakes. Maple Syurp.
Coffee.
LUNCH.
Fried Oysters. Tomato Catsup.
Stewed Celery.
Butter Cakes. Cocoa.
DINNER.
Cream of Corn Soup.
Mutton Fricassee. Rice.
Baked Onions.
Lettuce.
Cheese. Wafers.
Orange Jelly. Coffee.

Friday.
BREAKFAST.
Fruit.
Cereal. Cream.
Codfish Rolls. Creamed Potatoes.
Corn Muffins. Coffee.
LUNCH.
Creamed Oysters. Plain Boiled Macaroni
Tomato Jelly Salad.
Rolls. Cocoa.
DINNER.
Clam Bouillon.
Salmon Cutlets. Tomato Sauce.
Mashed Potatoes. Spinach.
Banana Whip. Coffee.

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DR. T. FELIX GOURAUD'S ORIENTAL CREAM, OR MAGICAL BEAUTIFIER

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REPUBLICANS GIVEN COURAGE

Troubles of the Citizens in Selecting Recorder Make Them Happy.

PROMISE A STRONG MAN

Francis J. Torrance May Be a Candidate Against James G. Wyman—Democrats in McKeesport Settle Differences.

The Republicans are greatly encouraged by the difficulties the Citizens are meeting with in the selection of a satisfactory candidate for recorder. They say that they will produce a strong man when the Citizens have finally agreed upon their nominee.

Chairman M. G. Leslie said yesterday that delegates were now being placed in the field for John C. Haymaker, A. J. Logan, Senator William A. Magee, A. P. Burchfield, Dr. J. M. Duff and F. C. Bienhauer. He says that these men and probably some others will have votes in the Republican city convention and the strongest candidate will get the nomination. He has not heard of any delegates being placed in the field for either W. L. Mellon or John Bindley, although both men are being discussed. Chairman Leslie insists that the organization will not attempt to influence the selection of the candidate.

The county commissioner will either today or Friday elect a mercantile tax collector. Commissioner Mercer says that he believes that William German will be chosen, but admits that there are five or more candidates for the place.

Torrance May Oppose Wyman.

Francis J. Torrance is spoken of as a probable Republican candidate for recorder in Allegheny. If he decides to enter the field he would probably not be opposed. Mr. Torrance would not pledge himself to protect the present officials, but would go into the contest free to do as he pleased if elected. He is one of the strongest individuals on the North Side and his candidacy would give James G. Wyman more cause for alarm than the appearance of any other man in the field.

Chairman Henry Meyer of the Allegheny City Democratic committee last night appointed the following executive committeemen: First ward, M. C. Steele; Second ward, James McKay; Third ward, A. H. Moeser; Fourth ward, John Geisler; Fifth ward, D. C. Cawley; Sixth ward, Harry Frazier; Seventh ward, Frank Hettler; Eighth ward, Henry Dedig; Ninth ward, Humphreys Lynch; Tenth ward, Victor E. Paulin; Eleventh ward, Joseph P. Wall; Twelfth ward, John McKinley; Thirteenth ward, John Lonnk; Fourteenth ward, John Wehner; Fifteenth ward, Alexander Huettenburger.

Some discussion occurred over the nominations of candidates for ward officers, but they were all referred to the executive committee, which will meet shortly with the executive committee of the Citizens party regarding ward nominations.

McKeesport Factions Together.

The Democratic factions of McKeesport last night decided to settle their differences and held a peace conference to prepare plans for the coming campaign. At the meeting the officers of the two factions resigned and James Calhoun was elected chairman and D. L. White was named secretary of the rejuvenated organization. A meeting will be held Friday night to nominate a ticket for the spring election. D. D. Donovan will be indorsed for city treasurer. The Democrats will work hand-in-hand with the Citizens.

The saloon question will be one of the foremost issues in the contest for burgess of Wilkinsburg. The church people have sounded the battlecry by using their influence against a certain Republican candidate, whom they accuse of favoring the introduction of saloons in the borough. Every preacher is working among the members of his flock in an attempt to get votes for another candidate, who it is said has been induced to enter the race for the sake of temperance. He is a prominent member of one of the largest churches in the borough and is being supported by the entire anti-saloon force.

The Democrats of Homestead favor fusion with the Citizens and the borough Democratic executive committee last night adopted resolutions to that effect. The proposition of the Citizens is to give the Democrats the nominations of tax collector, three members of council and three school directors.

HOW THEY MISS IT.

Where Some Business Men Lose a Lot of Money.

Many a business man who saves all he can by discounting his bills, loses money by having a checking account in a bank that pays no interest, when he might as well let his daily balances earn 2 per cent interest in the Pennsylvania Trust Company, 410 Smithfield street. Four per cent on savings accounts.

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5.00 size Axminster Rugs—now $3.00
7.00 size Arlington Rugs—now $5.00
8.00 size Arlington Rugs—now $7.00

AND TWO SPECIALS IN LARGE FLOOR RUGS.
$35.00 9x12 ft. Wilton Rugs—now $27.00
16.00 9x12 ft. Brussels Rugs—now $11.50

You will waste time and money by buying elsewhere.

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SOCIETY

FEW debutantes enter society under happier auspices than does Miss Anne Burgwin this winter. She made her formal debut last evening at the brilliant ball given in her honor by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. George C. Burgwin. The ball was one of the most brilliant for seasons at the handsome Pittsburgh club. Not only were its appointments perfect but surprises appeared at every glance. Coming at the beginning of Christmas week when decorations in green and red seem universal it was a distinctively novel achievement for Mr. and Mrs. Burgwin and their daughter to welcome their guests in a ball room beautifully, yet simply, decorated in green and white. The effect was pleasing and the contrast noticeable. The hosts and hostess stood before the small stage to receive the receiving group, including also the debutante, Miss Anne Burgwin, and her two house guests, Miss Rae Winters of New York and Miss Wickersham of Lancaster, Pa. Mrs. Burgwin wore a rich brocaded gown in a delicate pastel blue trimmed with beautiful lace, while the young girls were attired in dancing gowns of white lace and tulle.

The decorations of the clubhouse began at the entrance, southern smilax and grasses entwining the hand rail as the long flight of stairs lead to the second floor. In the foyer were spreading palms shadowing cozy nooks. The walls of the ball room, tinted a deep crimson, were completely hidden by a mass of southern smilax, which formed a freeze about the cozy little club theater. Overhead just beneath the great square of glass studded with innumerable electric lights hung a false ceiling composed of a network of southern smilax reaching from wall to wall. From this mass of green hung many Christmas bells, all of them white, and suspended, some in clusters, some singly and at irregular intervals, the wide white ribbons reaching to the ceiling being of varying lengths, so that the effect was not only unusual, but interesting and intricate. The white columns at the side of the ball room were entwined with smilax and tied with big bows of white ribbon. White ribbon was looped from column to column, from which fancy white willow baskets filled with green foliage hung. At the left of the little stage stood a group of magnificent palms, reaching to the ceiling, while a low hedge of ferns extended entirely across the front. Above the low hedge hung a curtain fashioned of ribbons suspended from the arch above and each ending in a small bow. The ribbons were of varying lengths and during the cotillion were constantly in motion, blowing back and forth as the dancers swept across the ball room. Upon the floor and at each side of the stage stood broad panelled screens, upon which were placed the bouquets, which the debutante received last evening. They afforded the only striking note of color throughout the ball room suite of apartments.

The cotillion was not danced until after supper and the first favor figure was not begun before 1 o'clock. It was led by Sterling Winston Childs, who danced with Miss Burgwin. There were three favor figures. The second was led by Jerome Hill, whose partner was Miss Winter, and Bowman Sweitzer and Miss Wickersham lead the third. The favors were pretty and novel. They included dainty little plaster casts in old ivory tints and tied with white ribbons; pretty crepe paper bags, silver cans and butterfly wands, wands mounted with hoops and others with parti-colored ribbons. Mrs. Burgwin was assisted in distributing favors by Mrs. Harvey Childs, Jr.; Mrs. W. R. Blair and Mrs. Symons of Buffalo, an aunt of the debutante.

Pittsburgh Bridemaids.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Jeannette de Mauriac and George F. Truxton Brittan, both of New York. It will take place on January 10 in the Church of the Heavenly Rest. Miss de Mauriac's bridemaids will include Miss Emma Humbird and Miss Marguerite Johnson of Pittsburgh, Miss Marion Birge of Buffalo, Miss Julia Calhoun, a New York debutante who came out on Saturday, and Miss Sara Peters, also of New York. Mrs. Kenneth M. Murchison, Jr., a sister of the bride-elect, will be her matron of honor. Thomas T. Brittan will be the best man and the ushers will include Albert Hunt, Frank W. Cox, George McCullagh, Norman de Mauriac, Guy de Mauriac and Stewart Flagg. A large reception will follow the ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene de Mauriac in West Sixty-eighth street. The bride and bridegroom will sail for Europe on January 17 to remain abroad for several months.

A Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Beggs of Florence avenue, Bellevue, celebrated their fifteenth wedding anniversary last evening. More than 100 invitations had been issued for the reception and dance. The house was handsomely decorated for the occasion in pink and green. Great clusters of pink roses hung from the chandeliers and the doorways were draped with festoons of evergreen and pink roses. The third floor was given over to banquet rooms, and at 12 o'clock the banquet was served there. That floor was handsome with red and green decorations, red roses and Christmas greens. The first two floors were given over to dancing. Many out-of-town guests were present and the host and hostess received many handsome gifts.

Children at the Pantomime.

There were a number of children's theater parties at the matinee of "Little Red Riding Hood" yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Wallace H. Rowe gave a party in honor of her little daughters, Sara Margaret Rowe and Dorothy Rowe, which included Euphemia Baggaley, Gretchen Schoonmaker, Alexina Blair, Caroline Wolfe, Barnett Wolf, Robert Forcman, Mrs. Ralph Baggaley and Mrs. Frederick Forcman. The party occupied two proscenium boxes. The little Misses Rowe and their girl companions were dressed in white, wearing pink bows in their hair. Mrs. Rowe had refreshments served to the children between the acts from the confectionery in the Grand opera house building.

Mrs. McKee's Luncheon.

Mrs. H. Sellers McKee gave a small luncheon yesterday afternoon at her home in Ridge avenue, Allegheny, in honor of her niece, Mrs. A. Hartupee Chandler of Kittanning, a recent bride, and Miss Laura G. Smith, one of this year's debutantes. The decorations were entirely in American Beauty roses. Covers were laid for 21, the guests including chiefly the debutantes and a few of the younger brides.

Mr. and Mrs. Chandler recently returned from their wedding trip and are making a short visit to Mr. and Mrs. McKee.

Invitations Are Out.

Invitations are out for the dance which Mr. and Mrs. James I. Kay will give at the Pittsburgh Golf club on Thursday evening, January 1, for their daughter, Miss Louise G. Kay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wood Friends have issued invitations for the dance they will give in honor of their debutante daughter, Miss Rebekah J. Friend, at the Schenley, January 2.

Mrs. Brenneman's Matinee Party.

A box party at the matinee at the Grand to see the pantomime yesterday included just a dozen little men and women, who were the guests of Mrs. Louis P. Brenneman. The party was given in honor of Miss Verna Brenneman and Master Emory Brenneman, the young daughter and son of the hostess.

A Christmas Wedding.

On Christmas Day, at the home of the bride-elect, Thorn and Chestnut streets, Sewickley, will occur the marriage of Miss Mary V. Kauffman and George Rapp. Only a few friends and relatives of the couple will be present.

At Home in Bellefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sherman Flinn have cards out for an at home on Thursday afternoon, January 1, at their residence, Millvale and Center avenues. The hours will be from 3 o'clock until 6.

Monday Club Entertained.

Mrs. Mansfield B. Cochran entertained the Monday club yesterday afternoon at her handsome home in Sewickley Heights. About 45 were present and four-hand euchre, the club game, was played.

A Christmas Tree Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle will entertain tomorrow at a Christmas tree party which they will give at their home in Walnut street, Philadelphia.

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MATTHEWS WON A FAST CLEAN FIGHT; SLIM CHANCE FOR AMERICAN FRANCHISE

MATTHEWS GOT THE DECISION.

Matty Had the Best of Rube Ferns in All but One Round.

FAST, CLEAN FIGHT

Matty Matthews of Brooklyn last night fought his way to a well-earned decision over James (Rube) Ferns of Denver in one of the hardest fought and cleanest cut 10-round bouts ever seen in this city. It was a battle from start to finish, and when Referee Buck Cornelius announced Matthews the winner the decision was greeted with cheers, there not being a dissenting voice.

The contest was brought off in Kenyon hall, Allegheny, and was attended by the largest and most orderly gathering of fight lovers ever seen hereabouts. The men agreed to meet at 145 pounds and each weighed in under the stipulated agreement yesterday afternoon. Both were in perfect physical condition and each had trained hard for the contest. When the 7 appeared in the ring and stripped for the fray it could be easily seen that there had been no untruths told as to condition, for both looked fit and trim. Ferns appeared to have just a shade the better of the weight, while Matthews made up for this shortcoming in height and reach.

The Crowd Was Orderly.

Previous to the start of the fight Referee Cornelius announced that the police authorities had informed him that in case of any disorder on the part of the spectators the fight would be stopped, but as was anticipated this kind was unnecessary, as the crowd present, while very large, was extremely well-behaved, and not once was the referee called on to cry for order. Another desirable thing which reflects credit on Billy Corcoran, the manager of the affair, was that it was brought off on time and there were no tedious delays such as have marked nearly all important bouts ever brought off here.

It was just 10:15 when the contestants faced each other, and after the referee had announced that the men had agreed to fight ten rounds straight Gunboat Smith rang the bell sounding for the start. This tap of the bell brought on a battle such as has never been seen hereabouts. There was not a minute of the fighting time that the men were not mixing it up lively, jabbing, pushing and clinching, and it must be said for them that they fought fair and at no time had the referee the least bit of trouble. No warning word to one or the other being all that was necessary.

Matthews Started It Going.

Matthews was the first to start things going; in fact, he was the aggressor all the way, and there was really nothing to it but Matthews. He had the better of it all the way in clean fighting—that is, the landing of clean blows. In only one round, the seventh, did Ferns make any showing, and in that stride in that round was a slight one, still enough to give him the better of it in the opinion of the experts about the ringside.

Matthews started hostilities by jabbing his left into Ferns' face and he kept up that annoying jab all through the fight, much to the discomfiture of the Rube. When Matty got tired jabbing with his left he would bring the right over with terrific force and would get Ferns from head to foot. His lefts in the stomach were terrible punches, and that they told, and told severely, were evidenced by the loud grunts that Ferns would send out.

The only place where Ferns would show to any advantage was in the clinches, and these he fought hard, pounding Matthews' back and kidneys with his right in a manner that marked the first coating of a cannibal sandwich. This drumming on the kidneys might do a lot of damage in a long contest, but it did not seem to worry the boy much last night. Early in the sixth round Matthews put a hard left on Ferns' mouth, which started the blood, and he kept jabbing that sore-mouth and the blood covered the Rube's face until he presented a pitiable spectacle.

There Were No Knockdowns.

There was not a knockdown during the 10 rounds, nor was there the least sign of a knockout, although both fought hard to land a crushing punch in the 10th round. In the second round Ferns, while backing toward the ropes, slipped and fell and Matthews' act in helping him to his feet was wildly cheered by the spectators. Again in a later round both fighters slipped and went down, with Matthews on top, but they were up in a second.

At two or three stages of the contest Ferns would duck his head and rush in like a wild bull, only to be met with a shower of blows which would for the time being put an end to the rushing. Matthews at all stages showed himself to be a wonderful ring general and there never was a stage of the battle that he was not cool-headed and knew just what to do and how to do it. In the ninth round, while in a clinch near the front of the stage, Ferns pounded his right on Matthews' kidneys, which brought a "whew" from a spectator, at which Matley looked over the Rube's shoulder and laughed.

It was simply a case of cool, calculating two-hand fighter against a fighter who, while is a fiend for punishment, and the victory went rightly to the ring general, who timed almost every blow delivered and managed to land them. It was a pretty bout for the spectators to watch, because it was clean cut and there was nothing in the way of taking unfair advantages on each other. Both men showed that they could stand lots of punishment and they tended to bear it that way, as nearly every blow landed seemed to have trip hammer force back of it.

No More Big Bouts.

Last night's victory was a sweet morsel for Matthews, because it was Ferns who wrested the lightweight championship from him by knocking him out in 15 rounds in Toronto, Canada. Ferns afterward lost the championship to Walcott, the Barbadoes demon, so that a fight between Matthews and Walcott is now a possibility. It is understood that last night's battle was the last one to be brought off around here, word to that effect having been served by the sheriff who, however, may not object to bouts between local fighters.

The preliminary to last night's battle was in keeping with the main bout. It was a six-round affair between Tough Brogan of the West End and Harry Brown, the ex-amateur champion. The bout was a pretty one for five rounds, with honors even, but in the sixth Brogan's superior strength told, and he came pretty close to putting Brown on "Queer" street. The decision went to Brogan.

TAYLOR,
Who Plays Center for Keystone Tonight.

HARPER TO CAPTAIN HIGH SCHOOL TEAM

New Football Leader Elected. Encouraging Prospects.

The Pittsburgh Central High school made a change in its football leader for next season yesterday, electing Charles Harper, after a closely contested election, in which Capt. Bauer of this season's team was the defeated candidate. Harper played end and half back on this season's eleven and won by a majority of two votes. Harper is a student of the junior class of the academic department.

The Central high school football circles are greatly encouraged over the outlook for next season, as nearly all the scrubs will be back in school, and the players expect to enjoy greater advantages than ever before in the way of training and coaching facilities. During the past season the team had the advantage of a paid coach for the first time, and the work of Jim Lalus, the old P. A. C. player, was plainly noticeable in the development of the team during the season.

Largely New Material.

Nearly all of the material was new, and if the boys had been allowed the same advantages of time for training as their rivals at Duquesne at Shadyside they think the season's record would have been a different one. As it was, Shadyside proved an victor in the one game played by the narrow margin of one touchdown, while the high school team, which was badly crippled early in the season, had hardly any practice together before the playing of the game.

Next season the eleven expects to have the advantage, not only of a coach, but of a physical trainer as well. As a result of the stand taken by The Gazette in favor of proper advantages for high school athletics, a law will the state law requiring daily physical instruction be compiled with, but there is every promise for a first-class gymnasium, in which the students can bathe.

The athletic association also hopes to procure a groundskeeper for Friendship park, so that the members of the eleven can leave their uniforms there with safety and have the advantage of satisfactory baths. During the past season the dressing rooms on the grounds were broken open several times by a gang of toughs and the property of the eleven damaged.

After New Practice Grounds.

The football team next season also hopes to benefit greatly by the use of the grounds next to the high school building in Bedford avenue, on which is located the old reservoir basin. This belongs to the city, and the athletic association expects to secure it for a practice grounds. This would eliminate the long trip to Friendship park, which badly handicapped regular practice this season.

The eleven could go right from school to practice, saving much time, and still use the Friendship grounds for the playing of their games. The high school hopes to next season have a physical instructor who will not only superintend their gymnasium work, but coach the eleven as well.

SILENT FIVE WILL PLAY.

Famous New York Teams Will Do Battle With South Side Tonight.

There will be one of the greatest events of the year at Odd Fellows hall, South Side, tonight, when the famous Silent Five basketball team of deaf mutes of New York will show the South Side boys how the game is played in the east. This game, besides being a good one, will be somewhat of a curiosity, as many people are anxious to see how a game can be managed when half the players are unable to hear the whistle of the referee, or give their opinion of him after he has blown it.

The South Side team have not an idea of defeating this famous team, who, besides being one of the best trained teams in the country, have such a decided advantage in weight, the team averaging over 185 pounds, the heaviest team that has ever visited the city. The South Side team, with the exception of Nickel, whose ankle still bothers him, is in good shape, and confident they will at least make a good showing. The Tigers and South Side Juniors will play a preliminary to the first championship game for the young South Siders. Following will be the lineup for the main event:

Silent Five.		South Side.
Rapold	L. F.	Leithead
Ayers	R. F.	Nickel
McVey	Center	Williams
Zelf	R. G.	Winderknecht
Ryan	L. G.	Kidney

Substitutes—Silent Five, Dyer, Pringling, Muench; South Side, Davies, Schmitt, Bradley.

Geneva Elects Athletic Officers.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—This afternoon at a meeting of the Geneva College Athletic association John P. Barnes of the class of 1903, of Beaver Falls, was elected manager of the football team for the season of 1903, and Willis C. Garret of Laport, Ind., of the class of 1905, assistant. The association also elected F. R. Scofield of the class of 1904 as captain of the baseball team for next season, as the team failed to elect a captain at the close of the season.

C. A. C. Wants Basketball Games.

C. A. C. basketball team would like to arrangewith any of the following teams for games at Braddock and away from home: Manchester, South Side, Carnegie, Wilmerding, Lyceum, Iroquois and D. C. and A. C. January 2 open for any first-class team at Braddock. Address Manager basketball team, Carnegie club, Braddock, Pa.

Turkey Shoot at Etna.

The Eclipse Rod and Gun club of Etna will hold a big all-day turkey shoot on Christmas day at the old ball grounds, back of Reum's hotel, Butler street, Etna. The management announces a fine lot of turkeys, ducks and geese and a good time is promised to all comers. The shooting will be at 50 yards, and only open sights will be allowed. All guns used will be supplied by the club.

BASKETBALL DRIBBLES.

The Sewickley Reserves want to hear from 14 and 15 year old basketball teams for games to be played on Friday evenings. Watsons, Panthers Company F Juniors, Carnegie Juniors, Eclipse, Lakewood, Mt. Oliver Juniors, Riverview Reserves preferred. Address A. B. Sharpe, First National bank, Sewickley.

The North Sides of Allegheny, who had the leading team among the junior baseball teams last summer, have organized a basketball team. This is the first five this hustling little organization has put on the floor, and they will work hard to make their first season a success. All teams having halls, such as Riverviews, Mt. Oliver, Knoxville, Nationals, Sharpsburg, Homestead or any others desiring games please address Lyman M. Clark, 800 Westinghouse building, Pittsburgh.

FIRST CHOICES RULED THE DAY

Uranium and If You Dare Were the Only Beaten Favorites.

MORONI A 10-TO-1

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—Uranium and If You Dare were the only beaten favorites. Weather clear, track good.

First race, 6 furlongs—Pageant, 112, Scully, 4 to 1, won; Embarrassment, 107, Pollock, 5 to 1, second; Spec, 104, B. Davis, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:16 3-5. Hauser, Doc Wood, Jim King, Uranium, The Wizard, Memphian, Class Leader, Sepere and Showman also ran.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Moroni, 106, Pollock, 10 to 1, won; Dandie Belle, 102, Hoar, 6 to 1, second; If You Dare, 112, Fuller, 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:16. The Bronze Demon, Montanic and The Stewardess also ran.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Federal, 112, Buchanan, 1 to 2, won; Antonius, 112, Helgerson, 7 to 1, second; Smile, 115, McLoynt, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:29 2-5. Aratoma and Magnetic also ran. Our Jessie and Dr. McNally left at post.

Fourth race, handicap, mile—W. J. Deboe, 110, Gils, 8 to 5, won; C. B. Campbell, 105, Gannon, 9 to 5, second; De Reszke, 105, Buchanan, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:43 4-5. Tom Kingsley and Adelante also ran.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Old Hutch, 103, Gannon, 3 to 5, won; Elsie L., 112, Helgerson, 4 to 1, second; Marie Bell, 95, Scully, 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:15 2-5. Whisky King, Caliban, Lady in Black and Geneses also ran.

Sixth race, mile and 70 yards—Sarilla, 107, Munroe, 4 to 1, won; Ryn Rites, 102, Fuller, 6 to 1, second; Marcos, 105, Scully, 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:48 1-5. Lofter, Flaneur, Athelola, Alene Abbett, Optimo, Swordsman and Lord Pepper also ran.

The entries for tomorrow:

First race, 4 furlongs—Mamie, Raus, Vestia, Sweet Majorie, Offset, Ditton, Nicolette, Sweet Nell, 103; Fair Lass, Varna, Fonso, Candaref, Fading Light, Belle Simons, Hall, 105.

Second race, 7 furlongs—Farnassus, 97; Playlike, 100, Tickful, The Caxton, 102; Blue Blazes, 105; Moskeito, 106; The Messenger, Chorus Boy, Mask Mate, 107; Tillo, Paul Creyton, Harry Wilson, 105.

Third race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Raymon, 99, Nettie Regent, Miss Sharley, 101; Mary Moore, Alihe Abbott, Glaspray, 104; King Farleycroft, Irving Bacheller, Sthoiln, 109; Wunderlich, Charles Ramsey, Vesuvia, 113.

Fourth race, handicap, 1¼ miles—Major, 109; Major Mansir, 104; Barrack, Adelante, 105; Jessie Jarboe, 100.

Fifth race, selling, mile and 5 furlongs—Hattie Davis, 85; Potheen, 98; Hayward Hunter, 95; Trocadero, 102; Cogswell, 103, Lady Chorister, 107.

Sixth race, mile—Pirate, Sicily Head, 90; Our Bessie, 96; Handspring, Wittul, Shrine, Lord Melbourne, Floyd K., 101; Gleuevois, Farmer Jim, Welcome Light, 108; Flecarline, 110.

HOCKEY TONIGHT.

Keystone and P. A. C. Will Both Have New Players in the Game.

The Keystone and P. A. C. hockey teams will lineup at Duquesne garden tonight for the second time this season and a hot contest is expected between the two teams which fought so hard at the finish last season. Fred Lake, the fast forward of Winnipeg, will be in the game with Keystone, Jack Sheppard, the other new arrival from Winnipeg, will be in front of the net for P. A. C. The local hockey enthusiasts are eager to see him.

At a meeting of officers of the Western Pennsylvania Hockey league last night a new rule in relation to the scores was adopted. Hereafter, in case of a tie when the bugle blows, another ten-minute half will be ordered. If the tie is not broken then it will be done until the close of the season, then in the event of a tie game affecting the standing of either teams, game shall be played again. Nothing was done about a new schedule, Bert Russell is giving satisfaction that he will be continued in the position. The line-up for tonight is:

P. A. C.		Keystone.
Sheppard	Goal	Hern
Hamilton	Point	McArthur
Young	Cover Point	Bish
Robinson	Center	Hendry
Reynor	Forward	Lake
Shields	Right Wing	Taylor
McKerron	Left Wing	Gordon

BOYS' PLAYFUL BOUT MAY END FATALLY

Albert Weigen Likely to Die from a Wound Inflicted by His Companion.

As the result of a friendly bout between George Grimes and Albert Weigen, employes of Mohn Bros.' laundry, aged respectively 15 and 20 years, Weigen is at the West Penn hospital hovering between life and death. His condition was caused by a blow inflicted by his companion with a piece of gas pipe about four feet in length, which caused concussion of the brain.

The two boys had been playing pranks on each other in the laundry stables all day and about 6:30 o'clock young Weigen downed Grimes on the stable floor and cut off some of his hair. Grimes immediately grew angry and Weigen turned a hose on him. Then Grimes threw the gas pipe at his companion and rendered him unconscious by the blow. He was carried to an office nearby and later sent to the West Penn hospital.

Policemen Andrew Wenstel and Charles Rogers arrested young Grimes at his home, Forty-second and Geneva streets, last night. A charge of being a suspicious person is lodged against him, but he will probably be held to await the result of Weigen's injuries.

BUILDING TO THIS CITY.

Railroad Lines Projected to Connect Pittsburgh With Charleston, W. Va.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—West Virginia is to have another railroad line which is to connect Charleston with Pittsburgh by way of the Elk river. Senator S. B. Elkins and his father-in-law, former Senator Henry G. Davis, are back of the project and already several links have been acquired which will be connected up to make the through line.

The Charleston, Clendennin & Sutton railroad, running 70 miles up the Elk river from Charleston, which was purchased Saturday by Mr. Davis, is to form a part of it. This road will be extended along the Elk river to the mouth of the Holly river, where it will follow John McGrew's Holly river road and connect with Roaring Creek & Charleston road, owned by Mr. Davis and being extended by him. This will take it to Bellington. From Morgantown the Kingwood & Morgantown road, recently purchased by Senator Elkins, will be extended to Bellington. The route from Morgantown to Pittsburgh is not yet known.

Since Elkins and Davis have sold the West Virginia Central to the Wabash they have needed an independent line to get out their coal, and this will give them an outlet with connections with every important road in West Virginia, except the Norfolk & Western.

Mullen Is Worse.

Assessor Thomas Mullen, the well-known Democratic politician of the South Side, was not so well yesterday evening as he had been during the past week, and his friends were uneasy about his condition during the night. At 3 o'clock this morning it was said at Mercy hospital that he was resting easier than during the evening and was sleeping.

LOCAL PROSPECT NOT FAVORABLE

American League Did Not Decide on Pittsburgh's Franchise.

ANGUS WANTS MUCH

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Charles J. Pedder and J. Eagle, probably returned to the Smoky City tonight far less confident of success than when they came here, buoyed by partial promises from some of the American league magnates. While the question of a franchise for Pittsburgh was not taken up by the meeting, the Pittsburgh men made a very favorable impression, and if they only knew it, stand higher with a majority of the magnates than before their visit. The general impression was that Pittsburgh has substantial and ample backing and the ability to carry the deal through. Ban Johnson said regarding Pittsburgh: "The matter was not considered in the meeting. I can't tell anything about the matter for I don't think anyone knows."

Mr. Pedder, representing Pittsburgh, said: "We presented our claims and I think all will agree we can make good. If we can't get a franchise, that lets us out, but Pittsburgh wants American league ball. We don't give up hope.

Somers Acted for Pittsburgh.

Mr. Somers of Cleveland, who acted as sponsor for Pedder and Eagle, presented a statement to the magnates of the offer of the Pittsburghers who are after the club. The proposition included the sale of the Detroit franchise to Allegheny, provided the Detroit club, however, refused to part with his club, at least unless he could recover all that he has spent on it, and no offers to the present time, he says, will cover what he asks.

"I have my price," said Mr. Angus. "But I figure that it will have to be at least $75,000 to cover my expenses since I took hold of the club. That's my price, and I never consider it, but so far that is much more than I have been offered."

The report that Tom Loftus of Washington was to go to New York to have charge of the American league team in the latter city was denied by Vice President Postal of Washington.

By juggling the constitution the annual meeting today was made a "special meeting" and it was decided to hold the annual meeting in New York, at President Johnson's call, some time during the month of January.

Committee Appointed.

The principal business transacted today was the appointment of a committee to meet the National league at Cincinnati on January 5, to confer on peace between the two major baseball organizations. The question was quickly disposed of, however, by the adoption of a resolution giving President Johnson absolute power to appoint a committee of be the sole representative of the league at the joint meeting, with full power to act for the American league.

President Johnson thought it would be the better plan to have a committee meet the National league at the conference, and so decided. The committee appointed is composed of President Johnson, Charles A. Comiskey of Chicago, Henry Killilea of Boston and Charles Somers of Cleveland.

Mr. Johnson, in explaining the reason for naming a fourth committeeman said that there was no limit to the number that could be appointed, and that he had appointed Mr. Killilea as the fourth member because of his knowledge of law.

Chance for a Hitch.

In an informal discussion in the meeting of the magnates it transpired that there may arise a temporary hitch in the negotiations for peace between the leagues, owing to the fact that the National league peace committee has no power to take definite action, but must report back to the National league magnates.

Those present at the meeting at the Grand Pacific hotel were: J. F. McNamara and S. S. Angus, Detroit; Fred. Postal and Tom Loftus, Washington; Connie Mack, Frank Houtch and Ben Shibe, Philadelphia; C. W. Somers and J. F. Kilfoyle, Cleveland; Ralph Orthwein, Max Orthwein and R. L. Hedges, St. Louis; Joe Garvin and Henry Killilea, Boston; Charles Comiskey, Chicago; Ban Johnson, president of the league.

The meeting, which adjourned at 6 o'clock, was the shortest in the history of the American league, lasting only six hours.

PROMOTERS GET NOTICE.

Sheriff Again Says Corbett and McGovern Cannot Fight in Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 22.—Sheriff Dickson sent the following letter to Billy Considine and James Singelyn, who are "the Metropolitan Athletic club": "The coming contest between Messrs. McGovern and Corbett will be beyond doubt a prize fight within the meaning of the law. Its real character will in no wise be changed by calling it a 'contest for scientific points.' The men now being in training for a hard, severe fight, the public understands the nature of the contest, the details being duly published in the newspapers. Under these circumstances and in order that you may not incur any further useless expense, I deem it my duty to inform you that I shall not permit the fight to take place publicly or privately if I can prevent it, within the county of Wayne. If it is attempted, I am advised that it will be my duty to, and I will, arrest all the participants.

"Hoping that I will not be called upon to perform such duty, I am,

"H. H. DICKSON, Sheriff."

HOMESTEAD WILL NOT MEET D. C. & A. C.

Manager Laidley's Challenge for a Contest in the Water Polo to Be Ignored.

It is unlikely from the present feeling of the water polo players of the H. L. A. C. that the challenge of the D. C. & A. C. management for a series of games this winter will be accepted. Manger Laidley, who has managed several polo teams playing under the name of the old D. C. & A. C., recently issued a challenge through The Gazette columns stating that he could in short order get a team of local talent together and would be glad to meet the Homestead swimmers, providing the same teams were adhered to throughout the season, and that no players be imported for any special games.

Last night it was stated by L. H. Ballard, the physical director of the Homestead Library and Athletic club, that it was not the intention at present to play any local games on account of the trouble over last season's contest. It was probable, however, he stated, that the H. L. A. C. would be represented at the New York sportsman's show and any other important events.

The trouble referred to by Mr. Ballard over last season's game, was a protest by Duquesne over the bringing here of three Knickerbocker A. C. swimmers to take part in the one contest which was lost by Duquesne.

LATROBE ACTIVE.

Lost Two Games at Homestead After Having McKeesport Defeated.

The Latrobe bowlers were busy last night playing at Homestead after losing at McKeesport. Homestead won two of the three games played. Homestead and Turtle Creek are tied for the Western Pennsylvania league leadership, with but two games more to be played, Homestead at McKeesport and Latrobe at Turtle Creek. A new schedule will be issued by the league at once. Scores at Homestead:

Latrobe—			
Campbell	140	112	137
Seibert	112	135	158
Brant	114	151	170
Schultz	134	126	173
Smith	152	158	168
Totals	652	702	796
Homestead—			
Pherson	150	196	129
Bissell	152	132	127
Hays	97	178	160
McMasters	154	171	116
Jahn	145	157	129
Totals	707	785	666

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived—December 22.

Liverpool—Umbria and Georgic from New York.

Cherbourg—Deutschland from New York.

Bremen—Kronprinz Wilhelm from New York.

Naples—Phoenicia from New York.

Sailed—December 22.

Plymouth—Graf Waldersee for New York.

Glasgow—Livonian for Boston; Sardinian for New York; Tritonia for St. Johns.

Naples—Palatia for New York.

EISNER BROS. BUY HUMP CORNER FOR $100,000

Surveys and Options in Allegheny Indicate More West Penn Tracks--Ten Houses Bring $20,000. Dithridge Street Sale of $12,000.

Robert and William Eisner of the firm of Eisner & Phillips have bought from James Coyle the property at the northeast corner of Fifth and Wylie avenues for $100,000 cash. The deal, which is the largest in Hump realty consummated for several months, was made yesterday afternoon without the aid of brokers. The property is well known, as it is situated directly across from the court house and is occupied by the saloon of Owen McGarvey. The lot has the form of an irregular triangle, which measures about 55 feet in Fifth avenue and 44 feet in Wylie avenue. It is improved with a three-story brick block. Figuring the Fifth avenue frontage, the sale was at the rate of $1,818 a foot, which, however, cannot be taken as a fair basis of value, owing to the irregular shape of the lot. The property has been on the market for some time and a number of prominent investors have made offers for it. Near by are the holdings of Charles Donnelly, facing on both sides of Wylie avenue. Messrs. Eisner said yesterday that the purchase was made simply for an investment, and in view of the probable Hump removal, no improvements would be made at present.

Looks Like More Tracks.

Property owners along North Canal street, Allegheny, are considerably interested in the movements of surveyors and real estate agents who have been working in that vicinity the past two weeks. A survey has been made of the property between Chestnut and Madison streets indicating that it might be wanted for railroad purposes. Several realty brokers have been working in the territory, trying to secure options on the 14 or more properties in the square. The properties are old homesteads, the houses being substantial brick dwellings standing on lots 50x150 feet each extending back to Liberty street. Among the properties wanted are the old Painter Kleber, Graver and the McDonald homesteads and the property of the Sisters of Mercy. The frontage is said to be worth at least $200 a foot. No intimation has been given out as to who is the intending purchaser, but it is generally believed that the options are being secured for the West Penn railroad, which, it is reported, has plans for another track at this point.

Two small sales on the west side of Chestnut street, between Main and the Allegheny river, would seem to confirm this supposition. These were the properties at Nos. 301 and 305 Chestnut street, owned by John Volz, which brought $6,500, and the lot at No. 303 Chestnut street, which was bought from John Yetzer for $5,000. The reputed buyer was a member of the H. J. Heinz Company, but the deeds were made out to another party, and the fact that options have recently been sought on other properties in the same neighborhood has led many to believe that these buys were also made for the West Penn.

New Houses Selling Fast.

Through the agency of Isadore H. Aaron the Empire Land and Improvement Company has disposed of ten of its new houses at McKeesport for $20,000. The houses are five-room frame dwellings standing on lots 25x100 feet each. They face in Florence avenue, near Walnut street, and are ten of the seventeen houses that the company has built on the Elm View Park addition. Purchasers are McKeesport men who have been obliged to vacate their former homes to make room for the immense tube plants. The Empire Land and Improvement Company has now employed for 20 more similar houses, which it will build after February 1.

Another good residence property in Dithridge street has been marketed through the agency of Edsall & Hamm for $12,000. It belonged to A. P. Miller and was bought by a leading business man who will occupy it as a home. The lot measures 50x90 feet on the west side of the street, near Center avenue, Fourteenth ward, and the house is a modern ten-room brick.

The Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston Railroad Company has bought from Henry Bartling an improved property 20x100 feet on the south side of Sarah street, near South Seventh street, Twenty-ninth ward, for $12,000.

Big Christmas Commissions.

If the assurances put forth by brokers come true, this week will be a record-breaker for a holiday period. More large deals are on the verge of closing, according to report, than at any time for two months. There seems to be an anxiety on the part of brokers to get as much as possible of the big business into this year's record, and every effort is being put forth to bring buyer and seller together. One deal, amounting to about $200,000, is scheduled for early closing and another that will come close to the six-figure mark may be announced tomorrow. Two other big downtown deals are signed up on one side. A firm of downtown brokers yesterday secured the signatures to two sales, one of downtown property amounting to about $60,000, and the other of a $15,000 residence property. At this season brokers have to contend with the reluctance of investors to make any big deals until their own year's business is closed, and also with the holiday spirit, which precludes in some cases the taking up of perplexing business propositions.

The West Pittsburgh Improvement Company, mention of which was made in The Gazette three weeks ago, has secured its charter and will open for business in January with the following directors: P. R. Lee, W. S. Roedelheim, E. E. Woemle, C. E. Weinman and W. C. Short, Chartiers. The capital is $50,000. The company has secured a considerable tract of acreage in the West End and will put it on the market in the spring in lots.

A charter has also been granted to the West Masontown Land Company, which, with the Manufacturing Company of Pittsburgh, is developing an extensive tract of land at West Masontown, Fayette county. The company has a capital of $1,000 and the following directors: William I. Crawford and Lewis G. Sterling of Masontown, Thomas C. Edwards of Pittsburgh and Willet E. Hazard of Buffalo.

An Allegheny Deal.

Allegheny: Pearson & Kirschler sold for S. Roedelheim of Philadelphia to William McGee of Emsworth No. 1422 Locust street, Allegheny, a three-story brick house on a lot 26x70 feet, for $6,500.

Vine street: M. J. Ehrenfeld sold for Mrs. Ida Lepage of Jeannette to W. T. Smith an improved lot 21x88 feet in Vine street, Eleventh ward, for $1,500.

Vine street: The Aronson Realty Company sold for Attorney I. Leonard Aronson to David Epstein an eight-room brick house in Vine street, near Rose street, for $3,350.

McKeesport: O. M. Hunter has conveyed to the W. W. Hunter Company an improved property 60x140 feet in Sixth avenue, Second ward, McKeesport, for $30,000.

Hope street: The Real Estate Trust Company sold for H. M. Bowman of McKeesport to Hettie R. Riddle an improved lot 40x160 feet in Hope street, near Reup street, Twentieth ward, for $2,400.

Race street: George W. Mellot sold to Anton Lutz an improved lot 30x83 feet on the south side of Race street, near Sherrett street, Twenty-first ward, for $7,000.

Bates street: James O. Speer sold to William Denly a lot 16x81 feet on the northwest side of Bates street, Fourteenth ward, for $1,500.

Haldane street: Archibald Dickson sold to Louisa Ingold a lot 25x100 feet on the west side of Haldane street, Twenty-third ward, for $450.

Hazel street: Esther Epstein sold to Robert Sulkin an improved lot 75x54 feet on the southeast side of Hazel street, Seventh ward, for $6,000.

Oneida street: Mary W. Kennedy sold to Henry C. Digby a lot 75x150 feet on the west side of Oneida street, Thirty-fifth ward, for $2,500.

Pacific avenue: George Schmidt & Son sold for William G. McKee to George M. Schmidt an improved lot 20x85 feet on the east side of Pacific avenue, near Friendship avenue, Twentieth ward, for $5,500.

MANCHESTER WON A ONE-SIDED GAME

Casino Basketball Five Defeated by a Score of 43 to 8.

The Casino five went down hard last night, the fast Manchester team beating them 43 to 8. The game was rather loose and both teams were lacking in team work. The first half was the better, Casinos putting up a pretty strong game and making Manchester fight hard for their 24 points.

Lynch, at guard, did all the scoring for the visitors in this half, getting two nice ones from field. Henning was the lucky man in the second half, he also scoring two field goals. Burry, for Manchester, did the most scoring, throwing four in the first half and three in the second. Skillinger took a brace and pocketed four nice ones in the second half. Koch had hard luck in shooting and many of his throws, which looked like sure scores, took a peek into the basket and then jumped out again. The score for the second half was 19 to 4, in Manchester's favor, making a total score of 43 to 8.

Following is the line-up:

Manchester—43.		Casinos—8.
Skillinger, Hay	Right forward	Crawford
Koch, Hay	Left forward	Dodson, Stonerod
Metzkes, Walliser	Center	Henning, Dodson
Graham	Right guard	Henning, Dadson
Burry	Left guard	Lynch

Goals from field—Burry 7, Skillinger 5, Graham 4, Metzkes 3, Koch, Henning 2, Lynch 2.

Goals from foul—Graham 3.

Referee—Orr. Scorer—H. Roth. Timer—J. Gray.

Last night at Manchester Turner hall, before a crowd of over 200 enthusiasts, the Sterlings defeated Manchester Jrs. by a score of 21 to 13, and took the lead in the Junior league race. For the Sterlings their clever pair of forwards had much to do toward winning the game. McMahon, as usual, was there, getting five pretty shots from field, while Berges looked after two and one nice shot. The Sterlings' guards, Billinger and Yoedt, played the Manchester forwards hard, only allowing them to get two goals. There was a pretty duel at center between Sutter and Thompson, who are the best junior centers in the business. For Manchester Tannehill, O'Neil and in fact the whole team played good enough ball to beat anybody, but the Sterling boys were in fine condition and a little too fast.

Sterling—21.		Manchester—13.
McMahan	Forward	O'Neil
W. Billinger	Forward	Tannehill
Sutter	Center	Thompson
Bertges	Guard	King
Yoedt-G. Billinger	Guard	Hassler

Goals from field—McMahan 5, Sutter 1, Bertges 2, Yoedt 1, Tannehill 2, Hessler 2. Goals from foul—Bertges 5, Tannehill 5. Substitutions—Bertges for W. Billinger, G. Billinger for Bertges, King for Thompson, Alton for King.

JUNIOR LEAGUE STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Sterling	2	0	1000
Sharpsburg	1	0	1000
Manchester	1	1	.500
South Side	0	0	.000
Boquet	0	0	.000
Homestead	0	0	.000
Carnegie	0	0	.000
Riverview	0	1	.000
National	0	1	.000
Tigers	0	0	.000

The next game at Manchester will be played next Saturday night by the Manchester and Charierol teams. The preliminary will be between the Manchester Juniors and the Knoxvill Juniors. No New Year's eve, December 31, the fast German Y. M. A. five of Buffalo, N. Y., will play Manchester. The German five is the champion amateur team in the country, winning the championship at the Pan-American exposition. This is expected to be one of the greatest exhibitions of the season, as both team's strong points is team work. The game will be played under the A. A. U. rules.

Child Dies from Burns.

Mary Arno, 12 years old, of Sedgwick street, Allegheny, died last night at her home from injuries received yesterday afternoon. The child had been playing at her home and fell on the stove, her clothing catching fire. She died in awful agony.

Brakeman's Leg Crushed.

Thomas Cassidy, 23 years old, of Rankin, was seriously injured at midnight in the yards of the Carnegie Steel Company, at Homestead. Cassidy was engaged in coupling cars, when he was caught and had his leg crushed. He was taken to Mercy hospital.

SITES FOR POSTOFFICES BEING INVESTIGATED

Marine Hospital for Pittsburgh Still Being Held Up Because of the State Law.

[The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Room 10, Postal Building, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.]

Inquiry at the office of Supervising Architect Taylor shows the progress of certain public buildings in the western part of the state. The attorney general's office has still under consideration the matter of a marine hospital site in Pittsburgh; and investigation is going on in the same office concerning the title to land for a postoffice in McKeesport and one in New Castle.

In Johnstown the citizens are deciding upon a new site for the postoffice and the supervising architect is waiting until a settlement has been reached. In Washington, Pa., condemnation proceedings have been started; and in Oil City there is a controversy over a new site. A question has been raised there as to the ability of the owners of what was considered an available site to plot a new street on one side of the site as required. It is not regarded that in any case the questions will prevent the beginning of construction on the buildings beyond a reasonable time, except in the case of the marine hospital in Pittsburgh, where the state law is causing a hitch.

Assistant Secretary Taylor has selected as a site for the public building at Huntington, W. Va., the corner of Fifth avenue and Ninth street. Price, $10,000.

L. W. STRAYER.

HONORS FOR DEWEY.

Admiral of the Navy to Be Tendered Public Reception at San Juan, Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, Dec. 22.—Rear Admiral Sumner arrived here today and Admiral Dewey will reach this port tomorrow. There will be a public reception and demonstration in honor of Admiral Dewey, who will go to the palace escorted by artillery, infantry and mounted police and accompanied by a procession of school children. The governor, the military commandant and other prominent officials will receive the admiral at the palace. The public reception will follow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Cable advices to the navy department show that the holiday itinerary for the ships of Admiral Dewey's squadron in the Caribbean is being rapidly executed.

Christmas eve will find all of the 40 vessels in port. The Iowa, Rear Admiral Sumner's flagship, and the Massachusetts have arrived at St. Lucia; Olympia, Nashville and Machias, at St. Kitts; Vixen at St. Thomas; Detroit at Antigua; San Francisco and Culgoa at Mayaguez, and the Chicago, Prairie, Atlanta, Eagle, Dolphin, Leyden, Fortune and the torpedo flotilla at San Juan.

Stole a Slot Machine.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—One of the nerviest robberies that has ever taken place in this city was committed in the Erie passenger station yesterday, when there were scores of people standing around. A man walked into the waiting room and picking up a penny-in-the-slot machine, shouldered it and walked off. No one attempted to stop him. Later the machine was found about a mile above the city, rifled of its contents.

Eyes and Nose ran Water.—C. G. Archer of Brewer, Maine, says: "I have had Catarrh for several years. Water would run from my eyes and nose for days at a time. About four months ago I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and since using the wonderful remedy I have not had an attack. I would not be without it. It relieves in ten minutes."

NEW BATTLESHIP NOW READY FOR BUSINESS

U. S. S. Maine Will Shortly Be Placed in Commission at League Island.

[The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau, Public Ledger Building, PHILADELPHIA,

Panhandle Freight Congestion Caused Big Earnings Decrease

The expensive nature of freight congestion to railroads is shown by the report of the Panhandle earnings for the month of November. The statement of estimated results was given out yesterday. The figures show a decrease of gross earnings to the amount of $41,931, the first decrease in Panhandle gross earnings for many months.

The business offered to the Panhandle has been, as on all the other lines, well up to the past records. For several weeks in November, however, the condition of the yards and the other railroad facilities was such that not a little of the business had to be refused, and the earnings report reflects this condition.

The operating expenses of the Panhandle for the month of November show an increase of $165,524. This was expected on account of the large increase in wages, due to the 10 per cent wage increase, which went into effect November 1. The net earnings of the company as compared with the net earnings for November, 1901, show a decrease of $207,455.

The report for the 11 months of the year up to November 30 show an increase of $1,703,825 in gross earnings and an increase of $1,735,507 in operating expenses, making a decrease of $52,182 in the net earnings of the company for the time.

Figures of this kind are the argument upon which the railroad companies justify the proposed increase in freight rates, which will become effective January 1. It is argued that unless the income is made greater the railroad companies must show decreased net earnings because of the fact that everything they buy, labor included, is being obtained at higher prices than was ever before required.

The decrease in gross earnings for the month of November, due to freight congestion, is only a little more than $10,000 less than the total decrease of net earnings for the 11 months of the year. Without the November loss the company would have come close to maintaining its record for 1901 in net earnings.

CAPITAL IS INCREASED.

Ohio Connecting Stockholders Add $1,000,000 to Meet Improvement Cost.

The capital of the Ohio Connecting Railroad Company was increased from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000 at a special meeting of the stockholders yesterday. This company owns the long bridge over the Ohio river from Woods run to Esplen borough, connecting the Ft. Wayne with the Panhandle. It is a part of the Pennsylvania system and is used as a link in the belt line about the city.

The purpose of the stock increase is to fund the cost of improvements which have been made during the past year and are still in progress. These include a new approach from each end and the change of the present approach from the west at the north end so that the grade will be reduced to 3 per cent. This makes the connection with the Ft. Wayne tracks a short distance below Bellevue. The new eastern approach connects with the Ft. Wayne near Preble avenue.

At the west end of the bridge the new approach connects with the Duff branch, which runs from the end of the bridge to Duff station on the Pittsburgh, Chartiers & Youghiogheny. All of the new work is being made double-track, and the time is in sight when it will be necessary to make the bridge over the Ohio two tracks wide to handle the traffic, which is constantly increasing.

RIGHT OF WAY FIGHT.

Monongahela Railroad and New Mellon Line Get Into the Courts.

The Western Fayette Railroad Company, one of the new lines projected by the Mellon interests to reach the coal and coke region, has filed a bill in the Fayette county court and secured a preliminary injunction to restrain the Monongahela railroad from appropriating the property of the Western Fayette. The point in dispute is the right of way over the 12-mile branch up Dunlaps creek from Brownsville to New Salem.

The Mellon company, which passes to the United States Steel Corporation with the Union Steel Company sale, had already completed its surveys and was about to start construction, it is stated, when the Monongahela railroad simply confiscated the rights of way for its own use.

The latter road is a joint line of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie and the Pennsylvania to tap the "New Klondike" and other coal and coke districts. The bluffs along the creek are so steep and the passage way so narrow that only one line can be built.

Detroit Service Is Changed.

Commencing last night, the sleeping car service between Pittsburgh and Toledo and Detroit is to be given a separate train. Recently the car has been attached to train No. 5, the Pennsylvania Limited, westbound, returning on train No. 8 in the morning. Hereafter a second section of train No. 5 will be run the time of departure being as close after 9:15 p. m. as practicable. The business between Pittsburgh and these cities has become very large and with its express service the section will itself make a train of fairly good size. The Pennsylvania Limited is a very heavy train already.

To Name Lines West Officials.

The board of directors of the Pennsylvania company and the Panhandle will meet at Philadelphia on Monday. It is expected that the successor to Charles Donos Lowe, as real estate agent of the Pennsylvania lines west, will be named at that time. There is also an intimation that the appointment of W. C. Arp as general superintendent of motive power of the lines west of Pittsburg will be announced at the same time, both appointments dating from the first of the year.

Landslide Breaks Telegraph Service

A landslide on the bank above the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie tracks at North Lowellville junction on Sunday caused the complete severance of through telegraph service along that road from 10:30 a. m. to 4 p. m. Seven poles went down and the reconstruction of the lines made it necessary to cut the wires. A force of men under Chief Lineman Allen Reuah was engaged all day Sunday and yesterday replacing the poles.

Santa Fe Needs 20,000 Tons of Rail.

The Santa Fe will use new rails for 335 miles of track between Chicago and Albuquerque during the coming year for relaying. All will be of 75 pounds weight, replacing those of less weight. This will require about 20,000 tons of rails. Most of this is expected to be rolled at the Carnegie mills in this district, although the Illinois Steel Company will probably receive a portion of the order.

RAILROAD NOTES.

Fred H. Tristram, assistant general passenger agent of the Wabash, has left on a trip to Cargas City. He will return shortly after Christmas.

No announcement has yet been made of the successor to L. C. Sadd as traveling passenger agent, Pittsburgh, Mr. Sadd having left Mr. Sadd's promotion to New England passenger agent was announced last week.

Charles McKillip has been advanced to chief clerk to the city ticket agent of the Pennsylvania road, to succeed Robert H. Fleming, who has accepted the position of city passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

A strong fight is expected between the Kanawha & Michigan and the Chartiers, Cheat, Dennin & Southern, as the result of the latter's purchase by Wabash interests. The Kanawha & Michigan is part of the Morgan coal system of Ohio and lower West Virginia.

Paul Gruber, commercial agent of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, announces that effective December 20, that road will operate its trains over the line of the Dallas, Cleburne & Southwestern railway between Egan, Tex., and Cleburne, Tex., that line having been recently completed.

Calvin L. Bretz, general manager of the West Virginia Central, has taken issue with President Loree of the Baltimore & Ohio over the statement of the latter that the Baltimore & Ohio is accepting all the coal offered by the West Virginia Central for coal-famished Baltimore. Mr. Bretz says that 625 loads are awaiting the Baltimore & Ohio.

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COLLECTORS, warehousemen, drivers, young men to act as salesmen, no experience necessary; factory hands, men seeking employment. Call EMPIRE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU, 425 Diamond st., above Smithfield st.

DRIVER—An experienced driver, acquainted with the city. Apply Jas. A. McAteer & Son, Liberty ave.

DRY CLEANER—Experienced; steady work to a competent man. 148 S. Highland ave.

MARINE CORPS, U. S. NAVY.—Recruits wanted; able-bodied men; service on our warships in all parts of the world and on land in the Philippines when required. Apply Recruiting Officer, rooms 414-415 City Postoffice building.

MEAT CUTTER—First-class meat cutter. Call Tuesday morning, George R. Porter, Jr., 6402 Marchand st., E. E.

MEN for U. S. army; able bodied unmarried men, between ages of 21 and 35; citizens of United States of good character and temperate habits, who can speak and write English. Information apply to Recruiting Officer, 510 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

MONITOR lathe hands for brass works. Apply 434 Second ave., third floor.

PLUMBERS—Robt. J. Bell, 10 East Lacock st., Allegheny. Tel., P. & A., 644 North.

SALESMAN—Real estate salesman; apply immediately. Black & Baird, 419 Fourth ave.

STAR Employment Bureau—The king of them all; largest and most successful in the state; 25 to 60 orders received daily; 30 years' experience; men seeking employment call; we furnish the largest firms and railroad offices from heads of departments to porters; our immense patronage enables us to guarantee positions. Star Bureau, 120 Sixth st.

Female Help.

GIRLS—For wrapping department. Apply at Brace Bros., West Wilkinsburg, Pa.

GIRL for general housework. Apply at once, 1311 Franklin st., Allegheny, Pa.

LAUNDRESS in private family; young Swedish woman preferred. Apply at 1042 South Negley ave.

Male and Female Help.

MALE and female help supplied. WALKER, 610 Duquesne way. Tel. 330.

RELIABLE male and female help supplied. National, 409 Federal st., Allegheny.

SKIRTMAKER—500 Penn ave. M. Devine.

Situations—Male.

CARPET CUTTER desires to make an engagement for year; twenty years at last place. Address A 41, The Gazette.

Real Estate.

Property Owners

Let Us List Your Property For Rent. With a continued experience in the real estate business of 30 years, we are in a position to offer the best of service. Renting our specialty.

S. ARNOLD,
Estab. 1872. 434 Fourth ave.

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A USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENT. 36 lessons, including instrument. Mandolins, violins, guitars, banjos. Easy payments. Hemisphere Conservories, 543 Smithfield; 326 Federal st., Allegheny.

Miscellaneous.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Both telephones.

FOR RENT.

City and Suburban Residences.

FOR RENT—Small South Side houses $ 6.00 per mo., Morgan ave., two rooms, third floor.
8.00 " " 86 Brownsville ave., rear, three rooms.
14.00 " " 189 Plymouth street, six rooms and hall and water.
SEE COMMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE & TRUST COMPANY.
327-329-331 Fourth ave.

Apartments.

FOR RENT, $27.00.
PARTHENIA APARTMENTS, ready Jan. 1, in the choicest location in Brushton, 5 large rooms, bath, reception hall, double parlors, cabinet mantels, hot water, front and rear porches, large yard; all light outside rooms; janitor service; tenants can select decorations. These are the nicest medium priced flats in the East End and are modern in every respect and will be rented to a nice class of people only. It is the intention of the owners to keep these flats in first-class condition. Long leases will be given at present rental.
ROBINSON & BRUCKMAN,
No. 119 Brushton ave., Tel. 835-4 East.

FOR RENT.

East End Residences.

SEND for complete list of East End houses. J. W. SHERRER, 107 Sheridan ave., E. E.

Stables.

FOR RENT—
$ 4.00 per mo., stable, Margaretta and Overhill streets, Allegheny, 8 stalls.
5.00 " " 1752 Fifth ave., 2 stalls.
12.00 " " Rr. 353 Oakland avenue, 3 single and one box stall, cement floor.
15.00 " " Homewood ave., nr. Beechwood blvd, 3 single and two box stalls, with carriage room.
30.00 " " Rr. 1019 Bidwell street, Allegheny, two-story brick stable, 4 stalls, room for two carriages and man's room, with gas and electric light.
SEE COMMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE & TRUST COMPANY.
327-329-331 Fourth ave.

Offices.

FOR RENT OFFICES.
Very desirably located of
Good size—well lighted, first
Class service. Rates low.
Fitzsimons Building, 331 Fourth ave.
Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co.,
327 and 329 Fourth ave.

OFFICES TO LET.

En suite; new Lewis Block annex, Sixth avenue and Smithfield street; large, sunny and centrally located.

APPLY H. L. WASS,
341 Sixth ave.

To Let — Good sized office in Chronicle Telegraph Building, 347 and 349 5th Ave.

Business Properties.

FOR RENT.
For Rent—10,000 sq. ft. of floor space, opposite Boggs & Buhl's. Fine location for furniture, hardware or drygoods business.
A. E. HAY, JR.,
103 W. Ohio st.,
Allegheny.

FOR RENT—Good manufacturing site; 5 acres, with large building, cupola, engine and shafting; located at Bridgewater, near Beaver, Pa.; $100 per month. See
COMMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE & TRUST CO.,
327-329-331 Fourth ave.

FOR RENT—One-half large storeroom on Penn ave., near Seventh st.; will rent only to the following business: Curtains, portieres, art pictures, art furniture or artists' materials; light and heat free; rent reasonable. Address S 58, The Gazette.

Desk Room.

FOR RENT—Desk space cheap, all conveniences. Call 604 Arrott Building.

FOR SALE.

City and Suburban Residences.

FOR SALE—HILLTOP.
For Sale.
$4,100—Frame house, 7 rooms, hall, slate mantels, sliding doors, bath room, vestibule, front and rear porches, furnace, water heater, chandeliers; street paved and sewered; lot 30x100 feet to an alley; possession in 30 days.
BLACK & BAIRD,
419 Fourth ave., Opposite Postoffice.

SHERADEN—Only $4,250; new house, 4 rooms, gas, water, slate roof, good lot, porches, floored cellar; $100 down, $20 monthly.
IRON CITY REALTY CO., 315 4th ave.

FOR SALE—My house in Wilkinsburg. Is well built; good as new; paved street, good home for Westinghouse man. Write 22 78, The Gazette.

FOR SALE—Very desirable Bellevue home; latest improvements; select location; owner needs money. Address X 73, The Gazette.

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FOR SALE.
An exceptionally well built house, fine appearance; center hall, 14 rooms, finished in artistic and complete way; several bath rooms. Very latest fixtures; corner lot, Shadyside district. Lately finished ready for immediate occupancy. For permit to examine same see
Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co.,
327 and 329 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE.
At $6,500—desirable house, 9 rooms, bath, furnace, modern Fixtures; desirably and Centrally located. Ivy st., East End. See Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co., 327 and 329 Fourth ave.

Farms.

FOR SALE.
Farm of 55 acres, one mile from Conneautville, Crawford Co., Pa.; large frame house, large frame barn in good condition, other outbuildings. Land nearly all tillable, mostly level, well watered. Can be bought for $3,350, reasonable terms. Owner will also sell complete outfit of farming implements. Possession given immediately. Bargain for short time. No. 1054.
S. A. GIBSON & CO.,
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FOR SALE—Farm 72 acres, Indiana township, 2 miles from Harmarville, West Penn railroad; two veins coal; low price to quick buyer. Wm. P. Dice and John R. Dice, executors, 913 Main st., Allegheny Pa.

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FOR SALE—10,000 acres of coal land, adjoining the P. R. R.; 17 feet of good coal at a depth of 200 feet. G. H. Dorris, Harrisburg, Ill.

FOR SALE.

Real Estate—Special.

ON CLYDE STREET.

Clyde street, near Fifth avenue; lot 45x160; house has living hall, 24x17, with fireplace and cozy corner; hardwood finish, with beam ceiling; dining room, parlor, kitchen and butler's pantry on first floor; 4 rooms and private bath on second floor; 4 rooms and bath on third floor; lavatory in the basement; laundry, furnace, hot water heater and high-grade plumbing throughout; the finish in this house is the best of hardwood; the dining room is 15x20 and wainscoting 5 feet high, with bay window and window seat.
REAL ESTATE TRUST COMPANY
OF PITTSBURG.
311 Fourth ave.

ONLY $6,500.

An elegant, Pompeiian brick and shingle house at Thornburg; living room, dining room and stairway in quartered oak; four rooms on first floor, four on second; two on third; tile bath, open plumbing, furnace, instantaneous water heater; tile hearths, hardwood mantels finished to harmonize with woodwork; large porches; immediate possession; all conveniences; only 20 minutes' ride from Fifth avenue and Market street on Crafton and Ingram cars. This is a bargain.
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ONLY $5,000.

Nice frame house on Mt. Oliver, South Side; handy to electric cars and inclines; within easy reach of Jones & Laughlins' steel works; lot 40x100 feet; stable in rear; nice, clean location; street sewered; immediate possession.
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New colonial, gray brick, stone trimmings; house contains 12 rooms and ballroom; front and rear porches, covered walks; stone steps; hardwood finish throughout; three bathrooms; hot water heating system; lot 50x172; location, Dithridge street, between Fifth avenue and Bayard street.
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Manufacturing site on railroad; 5 acre of ground in heart of Wilkinsburg; having P. R. R. siding; $20,000. Terms to suit.
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FOR SALE—We have bargains in dwellings, prices $2,000 and upwards.
HALLER & DIBERT,
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BUY YOURSELF AN XMAS GIFT.
Must be sold before Xmas; a good 10 per cent net investment.

Business property on Carson st., renting for $1,800 a year; can be bought for about $5,000 less than what it will be worth within a year. The buyer of this property will surely have a merry Xmas. For full particulars see

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FOR SALE.
About 50 ft. Front On
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With Fair Improvements.
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327 and 329 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE.
Business or warehouse site.
120x175 feet, corner lot, with railroad switch, on Liberty st.
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FOR SALE—Business property fronting Second ave. 72 ft. and extending through to and fronting on First ave. 50 feet; in very exceptionally good lot; centrally located.
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VALUABLE LEASE FOR SALE.

THE FINEST STORE AND BEST LOCATION IN PITTSBURGH.
PRINCIPALS ADDRESS (NO AGENTS),
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GROCERY AND FEED STORE—This place has been established for 30 years; is doing a business of over $100 per day; rent $75 per month, including 7 living rooms and bath; price $5,000.
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BUSINESS of all kinds sold, partners secured for established business, stock companies organized and industrial enterprises financed; all business strictly confidential.
THE PUBLIC TRUST CO., 236 Fourth ave.

BUSINESS of all kinds bought and sold; partners secured for established business, etc.; all transactions strictly confidential.
W. J. KIRK, Room 1109 Arrott Building,
Wood st. and Fourth ave.

RACKET STORE—This store has been established for 26 years and is doing a very large business; rent $35 per month, including 6 living rooms; price $2,000.
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RESTAURANT—One of the best in the city of Pittsburgh; doing a business of $3,000 per month; size of storeroom is 27x140; rent $150, price $1,500.
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ROOMING HOUSE—Two squares from Court House; 12 rooms, 10 of which are nicely furnished; clears $100 per month; price $700.
GRACE & NOAH, 431 Fourth ave.

GROCERY STORE—Good location and trade; room 22x34; rent $27.50 monthly sales, $1,000; price $1,500.
ROYAL REALTY CO., 904 Park Bldg.

PAPER ROUTE—In growing town, 25 miles from Pittsburgh; yields owner $50 per week; price, $3,300. Royal Realty Co., 904 Park Bldg.

RESTAURANT—Rooming house attached, doing good business; price $300.
ROYAL REALTY CO., 904 Park Bldg.

IF you want to buy or sell any kind of business, see CAVANAGH CO., 631 Fourth ave.

BUSINESSES of all kinds bought and sold. See ROYAL REALTY CO., 904 Park Bldg.

BUSINESS CHANCES—Send for list. Estep & Co., 326 Fourth ave.

Machinery.

—AUTOMATIC ENGINES—

20"x36" x36 (150 H. P.), L. H., McIntosh & Seymour.
24"x36" (300 H. P.), R. H., Buckeye.
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16"x36" (175 H. P.), C. C., Greene.
15½"x15" (175 H. P.), C. C., Armington & Sims.
15"x14" (150 H. P.), C. C., Ideal.
13½"x18½"x15" Cross Compound (250 H. P.), Armington & Sims.
14"x48" (125 H. P.), R. H., Greene.
15"x15" (110 H. P.), C. C., Rail.
12"x14" (100 H. P.), L. H., Russell.
11½"x18½"x18" Upright Cross Compound (175 H. P.), Armington & Sims.
10"x14" (60 H. P.), C. C., H. Ide.
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—CORLISS ENGINES—

36"x72" (1,400 H. P.), R. H., Corliss Steam Engine Company.
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20"x32"x42" Heavy Duty Cross Compound (200 H. P.), Allis.
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Also a complete line of throttling governor engines manufactured by standard engine builders.

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Warehouse, 45th st. and A. V. R. R.,
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Gas and Steam Engines, Boilers, Pumps, Compressors. 398 Frick building.

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32x54 and 28x60 Corliss.
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BOILERS.
8—60x16 Boilers.
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44"x30", 30"x10' and 16"x10' Lathes.
42x40x13 and 12x19x36 Planers.
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1—350 and 1-500 H. P. Heater, Brass Tubes.
ATWELL MACHINERY COMPANY,
507 Hamilton Bldg.,
Bell 'phone 1803 Grant. P. & A. 2699 Main.

FOR SALE—Boilers and engines, all sizes, from 3 to 125 H. P., stationary and portable upright boilers and engines; large assortment kept in stock; shafting, pulleys and hangers, and large lot of miscellaneous machinery, second-hand belting, leather and rubber; large stock of all sizes at low prices; machinery of all kinds bought and exchanged.
JOHN V. YOUNG,
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FOR SALE—Engines, boilers, sawmills, sand crushers, grinding mills, brick machinery, rock crushers, road machinery, traction engines, threshers, corn shellers, hydraulic elevator mills, belting, hose, circular saws, general supplies. B. D. REED, 32 Fifth st., Pittsburgh.

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For every service desired by users of Typewriters, at the
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HANDSOME mahogany upright piano; fine tone, elastic and responsive action; guaranteed six years; complete with stool and cover, for $145; easy terms if desired. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

A FULL-SIZED New York make, used upright piano, with good tone quality; $110. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

FISCHER piano with good tone and handsome carved case for $100; easy terms. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

$45 BUYS upright piano; full size; good condition; must sell at once, so will sacrifice. 1216 Allegheny ave., Allegheny.

$450—PIANO—Family sacrifices; famous upright; cover, stool; cheap. 711 North Euclid ave., East End.

Horses and Vehicles.

FOR SALE—Have just brought from Kentucky carload of matched pairs and single driving horses; none better; can be seen at my stable, Broad st., Sewickley, Pa. Telephone 118-2, Sewickley.

FOR SALE—Driving mare and pneumatic tire runabout. Address O 38, The Gazette.

Sewing Machines.

BIG BARGAINS in shopworn and good second-hand sewing machines; all makes. NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE CO., 131 Sixth st., Pittsburgh, next door to Bijou Theater.

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AT lowest prices for cash or time; make your own terms; bar fixtures, work boards, pumps, billiard tables, safes, etc. S. Delp Sons, corner Fourth and Liberty sts.

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We still have a few
UNREDEEMED BARGAINS
IN FINE DIAMONDS AND WATCHES,
Suitable for Holiday Presents,
Call at once, Six Per Cent.
MARKET ST. LOAN OFFICE,
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Open Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings.

FOR SALE—20 shares of Chartiers Valley Railroad stock belonging to estate of James Espy, dec. Moses Hickman, Canonsburg, Pa.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Both telephones.

PERSONAL.

PAINT PRESERVES PROPERTY.
Protect your houses with good paint put on by a trustworthy painter.
P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave.
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PERSONAL—Do you know a good painter? If so, have him do your work; if not, send for P. J. Byrne. All kinds of painting done in the best manner with the best material. 634 Fifth ave. Both telephones. 55 Tunnel st.

TO ARCHITECTS AND OTHERS WHO KNOW Lettering and signs in keeping with architecture or room design, by P. J. Byrne, painter, 634 Fifth ave. Both telephones.

PERSONAL—Alcohol rubbings and magnetic treatments. Violet Hall, 638 Penn ave.

PERSONAL—Baths and massage. Anna Day, 642 Penn ave., ground floor.

PERSONAL—Baths, manicuring. Elsie Mills, 800 Penn ave., second floor.

LOST.

LOST—On Ohio street, Allegheny, Monday evening, December 15, a black and white toy terrier; answers to name of Dandy. Reward if returned to 507 West Diamond st., Allegheny.

LOST—On Friday evening, between Grand opera house and Market st. on Fifth ave, a lady's gold watch. Reward if returned to Meeca Pharmacy, Elliott borough.

LOST—Gold watch and fob (open face). Saturday evening about 10:15, corner Smithfield and Diamond sts. Reward if returned to I. P. Weixel, Cooper ave., Allegheny.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

IN the court of common pleas No. 3 of Allegheny county, No. 573, November term, 1902. In re dissolution of Robison-Lea Manufacturing Company. Notice is hereby given that the directors of the Robinson-Lea Manufacturing Company, dissolved on December 15, 1902, filed their first and final account at the above number and term, and that said account will be filed in the court on January 6, 1903, unless cause be shown to the contrary. Dalzell, Scott & Gordon, Attorneys for Accountants.

Dancing Academies.

JAMES P. BROOKS' DANCING ACADEMY, 1010 Penn ave.—Advanced class Thursdays; beginners' classes Monday and Friday evenings.

BRAUN'S Dancing Academy; 10 lessons, three dollars. Sixth and Liberty sts. Austin McFadden, owner.

Found.

FOUND—Reliable watch repairing. Cash paid for old gold. Christ Hauch, 541 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Office of the National Glass Company,
Eighth street and Penn avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 15, 1902.

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding consent to a proposition to issue preferred stock in exchange for a portion of the outstanding stock of the company in certain proportions of stock and cash, as may be determined at said meeting.
ADDISON THOMPSON, Secretary.

Second National Bank of Pittsburg,
United States Depository,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30 p. m. for the purpose of voting for or against amending Article 8 of the Articles of Association, to read: "The board of directors shall consist of not less than seven, nor more than fifteen stockholders," instead of "not less than seven nor more than eleven stockholders," and to elect directors for the ensuing year.
THOS. H. WEBB, Jr., Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
248-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Ft. Pitt National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
A. W. HERRON, Cashier.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE.

HOLIDAY GOODS, ROCKERS, MUSIC CABINETS, TABLES, COUCHES, SIDEBOARDS, CHINA CASES, BRASS BEDS, PIANO, COMFORTS, BLANKETS, CARPETS, ALSO LARGE STOCK OF TOYS, BOOKS, DOLLS, ETC.,
TUESDAY, DEC. 23D, AT 10 O'CLOCK, AT THE ROOMS OF THE HENRY AUCTION CO.,
124 AND 126 NINTH ST.,
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Handsome Mahogany Piano, Music Cabinet, Fine Pric-a-Brac Cabinet, Fancy Tables, Chairs and Rockers, Leather Suits and Couch, Sideboards, China Closets, Extension Tables, Leather Chairs, etc., Chamber Suites in Oak and Mahogany, Wardrobes, Fine Brass Beds, Springs and Bedding. Large line of Carpets for sale and sale to last at 2 o'clock, the closing sale of Toys, Books, Dolls, Stationery, Furniture, etc.

HENRY AUCTION CO.,
Auctioneers.

MONEY TO LOAN.

It's Our Business To Lend Money For Christmas

We lend a great deal of money, and can therefore afford to lend it at a low rate. Our rate is the lowest in Allegheny county—only 6 per cent on all loans, large or small. Our rate is the same to the mechanic who borrows $5,000 as to the mechanic who borrows $50. Come in and get what you require for Christmas. We accept as security a watch, diamonds, jewelry, furs, clothing, or any other article of value. All business private and confidential.

Six Per Cent.
Market Street Loan Office
214 Market Street,
Near Third Avenue.
CAPITAL $250,000.00.

"THE HOLIDAYS"
are close at hand.
Won't you need temporary money?
COME EARLY TO AVOID RUSH.
SALARY LOANS on your note.
No mortgage, indorser or publicity.
WE MEET AND BEAT COMPETITION.
Call and see how much.
Bring this ad for extra papers.
NOTHING DEDUCTED IN ADVANCE.
Every $1 paid off loan reduces cost.
PRIVATE transaction in PRIVATE office.
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PENN TRUST CO.,
Room 17—201 Smithfield St.—Room 17.
Cor. Third ave. P. & A. 'Phone 1170 Main.
Open Evenings Until Christmas.

AT THE
Old Reliable Loan Office
DIRECTLY OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE.
You get the lowest rate.
You get the fairest treatment.
You know th transaction is confidential.
You deal with a firm estab. 42 years.
You come to a house that no pawnbrokers signs.
JOS. DE ROY & SONS,
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Our rate positively lower than the lowest.

HERE IT IS.
Salary loans, furniture loans. Give us a call before going elsewhere. Our rates are the lowest
PITTSBURGH CREDIT CO.,
336 Fourth ave., room 601 Times building.

MONEY TO LOAN—In sums to suit on household furniture, pianos, etc., without removal; also on good collateral security; easy payments; confidential.
J. Q. H. SMITH, 413 Fourth ave.

MONEY LOANED.
Salaried people holding permanent positions; reasonable rates; strictly confidential.
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Mortgage Loans.

MONEY TO LOAN on easy monthly payments. PENN LOAN ASSOCIATION, 248 Fourth ave.

MONEY to Loan on mortgages and collateral securities. The Public Trust Co., 236 4th ave.

MONEY to Loan from $100 up; bring deed; no delay. Real Estate Mortgage Co., 12 Federal st.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Commonpolitan National Bank,
Wood and Liberty Streets,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Wood and Liberty streets Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
245-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce,
Corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street.
A. C. KNOX, Cashier.

Duquesne National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Duquesne National Bank for the ten (10) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 409 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 13th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m.
A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh,
4300 Butler st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butler streets, Wednesday, January 14, 1903, between the hours of 2 o'clock p. m. and 4 o'clock p. m.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank,
Sixth ave. and Wood st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Union National Bank,
Pittsbur

PUBLIC SALE.

Andrew S. Miller, Attorney-at-Law, 409 Grant st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE IN ALLEGHENY CITY

In the Third and Tenth Wards.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Allegheny county, state of Pennsylvania, in re estate of A. B. Miller, deceased, the undersigned trustee will expose to public sale on the premises on

Monday, Dec. 29, 1902, 10 O'clock A. M.,

The following described real estate, to wit: All that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Third ward of the city of Allegheny, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning on the easterly side of Esplanade street at the distance of one hundred and ninety-eight feet southwardly from Hemlock street; thence along Esplanade street twenty-two feet; thence along the line of lot No. 66 in Geo. S. Morrison's plan of lots recorded in plan book volume 1, page 110, eastwardly one hundred and twenty feet to James street; thence northwardly along James street twenty-two feet; thence by a line parallel with Hemlock street, westwardly one hundred and twenty feet to the place of beginning, on which is erected a two-story brick dwelling house.

Also on the Same Day at 2 O'clock P. M.,

Will offer for sale on the premises the following described property, to wit:

First—All those eight certain lots or pieces of ground situate in the Tenth ward of said city of Allegheny, marked and numbered as plan or lots laid out by Robert Arthur and recorded in the recorder's office of Allegheny county, plan book volume 2, page 83, and being numbered 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and 52 in said plan. Said lots together being bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning on the westerly line of East street, on the dividing line between lots 52 and 53 in said plan; thence southwardly by the westerly line of East street, the several courses and distances of one hundred and eight feet, to the line of lot No. 76 in Robert Arthur's plan of lots, recorded in plan book volume 3, page 100; thence along the dividing line between lot No. 45 in said first described plan of lots, and said lot No. 76 in said plan, and a triangular piece of ground south 75¾ degrees, west one hundred and eighty-five feet, to a point at the intersection of lots Nos. 48 and 78 in ——— plan; thence north 16¾ degrees, west two hundred feet along said lots Nos. 48, 47, 46, 49, 50, 51 and 52 to the dividing line between lot No. 52 and lot No. 53 in said first mentioned plan; thence north 75¾ degrees, east along said dividing line about one hundred and thirty-five feet to the said curved line on East street, the place of beginning. Lot No. 52 having thereon erected a two-story frame house containing eight rooms.

Second—All that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Tenth ward, of said city of Allegheny, being lot marked and numbered 27, in Robert Arthur's plan of lots recorded in said recorder's office in Plan Book volume 3, page 109, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning on the southwesterly side of Harriet street at the dividing line between lots 26 and 27 in said plan, thence along the dividing line between lots 26 and 27, one hundred and forty-nine feet to the easterly side of Morrison avenue, thence along Morrison avenue about twenty feet to the line of lot No. 28 in said plan, thence along dividing line between lots 27 and 28 in said plan, one hundred and thirty-six feet to the said Harriet street, thence along Harriet street twenty-three and eight-tenths feet, to the place of beginning.

Third—All those certain lots or pieces of ground situate in the said Tenth ward of the city of Allegheny aforesaid, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at a point at the intersection of the southerly line of lot No. 45 in Robert Arthur's plan, as recorded in Plan Book, volume 3, page 83, with the westerly line of East street, thence along the westerly line of East street, a distance of three hundred and eighty-five feet to the center of lot No. 60 in Robert Arthur's sub-division of lots as recorded in Plan Book, volume 3, page 108, thence along the center of lot No. 60 in said plan, said line being parallel with and twenty feet distant from the southerly line of lot No. 70, in said plan, to the easterly line of Anna street; thence along the easterly line of Anna street a distance of about one hundred and fifteen and five-tenths feet, to a turn circle as shown on said plan; thence around said turn circle to the westerly line of lot No. 75, in said plan, to a ten foot alley; thence along the westerly line of lot No. 75, and said line produced, in all about one hundred and fifty feet, to a point on the westerly line of lot No. 75, thence northwesterly along said ten-foot alley and on a line parallel with Harriet street, a distance of about one hundred and thirty-two feet to the southerly line of lot No. 45, in Robert Arthur's plan, recorded in Plan Book, volume 2, page 83; thence north 75¾ east along said line, a distance of about one hundred and twenty feet to the place of beginning.

Terms of sale—Ten per cent cash on day of sale, balance of one-third cash on delivery of deed, balance in one and two years, with interest to be secured by a first bond and mortgage upon the premises.

MARTHA J. MILLER, Trustee.

EXECUTOR'S SALE.

Executor's Sale.

By virtue of the powers contained in the will of L. N. Porner, deceased, and order of Orphans' Court, at No. 174, November term, 1902, the undersigned executors will expose to

PUBLIC SALE

At the Court House,

City of Pittsburgh, Pa., on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1903,

AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.,

all that certain lot of ground situate in the Fourteenth Ward of the City of Pittsburgh, County of Allegheny, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Boquet street at the distance of one hundred and sixty-six feet (166 ft.) southwardly from the southwest corner of Boquet street and Wilmot street; thence southwardly along Boquet street one hundred and two (102) feet to line of property of H. J. Parker; thence along said line and at right angles with Boquet street one hundred and fifty feet (150 feet) to a point; thence northwardly and parallel with Boquet street fifty-seven and one-half feet (57½ feet) to a point; thence westwardly and parallel with Wilmot street twenty-five feet (25 feet) to a point; thence northwardly and parallel with Boquet street forty-four and a half feet (44½ feet) to a point; thence eastwardly and parallel with Wilmot street one hundred and seventy-five feet (175 feet) to Boquet street, the place of beginning.

TERMS OF SALE—Ten per cent of purchase money on day of sale; one-third of purchase money, including the 10 per cent aforesaid on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed, and balance to be paid in one and two years, with interest at 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually and secured by bond and first mortgage, containing 20 days sell to clause and providing for an Attorney's Commission, with the right of the purchaser to pay the whole of the purchase money on confirmation of sale and delivery of deed.

M. F. FORNER, Executor,
420 Liberty Ave., Pittsburgh.
SMITH H. SHANNON, Executor,
St. Nicholas Building, Pittsburgh.

BANK STATEMENTS.

NINETY-FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK,

December 1, 1902, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

LIABILITIES.	
Amount due depositors December 1, 1902	$20,646,147 88
Amount dividend	340,907 10
Amount contingent fund	776,172 71
Amount surplus	130,590 80
Total liabilities	$21,893,758 73
ASSETS.	
Loans on bonds and mortgages	$ 6,270,564 41
U. S. government bonds	3,295,000 00
Philadelphia city bonds	1,221,719 00
City of Pittsburgh bonds	1,741,370 00
City of Allegheny bonds	419,500 00
City of Scranton bonds	15,000 00
Borough of Reading bonds	10,000 00
County bonds	1,476,707 05
School district school bonds	51,505 50
District school bonds	252,100 00
Sewer improvement bonds	427,000 00
Railroad bonds	1,797,830 00
Street railway bonds	509,000 00
Miscellaneous	167,700 00
Loans on collaterals	2,407,125 00
Real estate	123,686 76
Real estate bank property	185,687 49
Interest due	18,019 09
Cash in banks and on hand	1,116,285 45
Total assets	$21,893,758 73

Present number of depositors, 55,770, average $376.25 each.

J. W. FLENNIKEN, Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 1, 1902.

The undersigned auditing committee respectfully report that they have examined the assets of the bank and find them to correspond with the above report.

JOS. BUFFINGTON,
WM. R. THOMPSON,
JOHN C. STEVENSON,
JOHN W. LLOYD,
Auditing Committee.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16, 1902.

The trustees have declared a dividend of FOUR AND THREE-FOURTHS (4¾) PER CENT for the last six months, ending November 30, 1902, payable fourteenth, 12 not drawn, 01 bear interest from December 1, 1902.

SPECIAL.

MOVING?

If so, employ practical and experienced parties; it is the cheapest. Light wagons for hire, with or without drivers. Also carriers of passengers and packages to Perrysville and Wexford.

J. O'NEIL EXPRESS,
813 and 815 West Diamond, Allegheny.
Both 'Phones No. 455, Allegheny.

DETECTIVE AGENCIES.

M'SWEENEY'S Interstate Detective Agency, 425 Diamond st., Pittsburgh, Pa.; transacts a general detective business; all communications strictly confidential.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
City of Allegheny, December 20, 1902.

SEALED PROPOSALS—Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the city comptroller until 2:45 p. m., on Tuesday, December 30, 1902, for furnishing one cast steel piston head 88" diam. follower, and packing rings for low pressure cylinder for No. 6 pump, at Montrose pumping station, Allegheny, Pa.

Plans and specifications can be seen and all information obtained at the office of the bureau of water supply and distribution, City Hall, Allegheny, Pa.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bond in the sum of $1,000, with two sureties, probated before the city comptroller, or the bond of a surety trust company, which has complied with the ordinance of councils for furnishing bonds for city contracts.

The city recorder and the director of the department of public works reserve the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Proposals will be opened in the office of the city recorder at 3 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday, December 30, 1902.

JOHN R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

D. L. FULTON,
Director of the Department of Public Works.

IN the court of common pleas No. 3, No. 246, November term, 1902.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for construction of a lateral sewer in Meade street, from Bell avenue to Rising Main avenue, Twelfth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
THOS. R. HERD,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
S. T. M'CLELLAND,
Viewers.

(No. 572.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the purchase of patent rights of a device known as the "Iron Stop Gate Box."

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city recorder and the director of the department of public works are hereby authorized to purchase from Mrs. J. Linwood Brown, for the sum of one hundred ($600.00) dollars, the exclusive and perpetual right, title and interest, of, in and to a certain device called the "Iron Stop Gate Box," within the limits of the city of Allegheny as they now are or may hereafter be extended, letters patent having been issued for said device of invention by the United States government and numbered 537,182. The same to be held and enjoyed by the city of Allegheny within and throughout its limits for its own use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its successors and assigns.

Sec. 2. The city recorder is directed to draw a warrant upon the city treasurer in the sum of six hundred ($600.00) dollars, the same to be countersigned by the city controller, in favor of the said Mrs. Linwood Brown in payment for said patent device, out of appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, department of public works.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 573.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the purchase of three (3) 24-in.x24-in. crosses with valves for the bureau of water supply and distribution, department of public works, authorizing the city recorder and the director of said department to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same. That the purchase of three (3) twenty-four (24) inch by twenty-four (24) inch crosses with valves for the bureau of water supply and distribution, department of public works, in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, is hereby authorized and ordered. The city recorder and the said director are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided. The cost and expense thereof to be paid out of appropriation No. 12, bureau of water supply and distribution.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 574.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the purchase of pumps, electric motors and other machinery necessary to install a pumping plant in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, instructing the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals and award the contracts therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same. That the purchase of pumps, electric motors and other machinery necessary to install a pumping station in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, is hereby authorized and ordered. The city recorder and the said director are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contracts therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided. The costs and expenses of the above improvements to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale "water extension bonds," authorized by councils on November 26, 1901.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 575.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the construction and erection of two (2) iron tanks with a capacity of 200,000 gallons each, together with the necessary foundations to be erected on Green Tree hill, Fifteenth ward. Instructing the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city recorder and the director of the department of public works are hereby authorized to advertise for and to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for a piston head, follower, packing rings, &c., necessary to make the repairs to the pumping engines at Montrose, Pa., and to pay for the same out of appropriation No. 12.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 576.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the department of public works. Instructing the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same. That the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, is hereby authorized and ordered. The city recorder and the said director are hereby instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

The cost and expense thereof to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of "water extension bonds," authorized by councils on November 26, 1901.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 577.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city recorder and the director of the department of public works to purchase a certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, for the purpose of erecting a pumping station thereon to deliver water to Green Tree Hill, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city recorder and the director of the department of public works are hereby authorized and directed to purchase a certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, for the purpose of erecting a pumping station thereon to deliver water to Green Tree Hill, and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the south line of Wabash avenue at the west line of property of James Munden; thence extending westwardly along Wabash avenue one hundred eighty-two (182) feet to line of property of Schultz; thence extending southwardly and at right angles with Wabash avenue, two hundred thirty (230) feet to north line of Broadway; thence eastwardly along Broadway one hundred eighty-two (182) feet to line of Munden property; thence northwardly along Munden property two hundred thirty (230) feet to the place of beginning.

Sec. 2. And for the purpose of completing this purchase that the city controller is hereby authorized and directed to issue a certificate for a warrant on the city treasurer in the sum of eight thousand ($8,000.00) dollars to Marion Lyons and Jean G. Crider, and all street improvements shall be assumed by said Lyons and Crider.

Sec. 3. That the money for the purchase of this ground shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of bonds for water extension and improvement, passed November 26, 1901.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 578.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the issue of fifteen thousand five hundred twenty-seven dollars ($15,527) Woodland avenue bonds, to pay the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Woodland avenue, from Brighton road to Shady avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an issue of registered bonds in the name of the city of Allegheny to the amount of fifteen thousand five hundred and seventy-seven ($15,527.00) dollars to be designated "Woodland avenue bonds" in accordance with an act of assembly entitled "An act providing a system whereby cities may pave streets and alleys, pay the cost thereof by the issue of bonds and collect the same from the property benefited, in installments," approved June 12, 1893, and the same be and is hereby authorized and directed.

Sec. 2. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars or multiples thereof, payable in five years from January 1, 1903, with interest thereon at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually at the office of the city controller, in the city of Allegheny, Pa., and the principal thereof payable at maturity at the same place. Said bonds to be signed by the city recorder and the treasurer and countersigned by the controller and sealed with the corporate seal of the city, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied exclusively for the payment of the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Woodland avenue, from Brighton road to Shady avenue, said work to be done for no purpose whatsoever. Said bonds to be issued and sold to the sinking fund commission of the city of Allegheny, at par.

Sec. 3. Upon the collection of the cost of said grading, paving and curbing of Woodland avenue in the manner presented in the act of assembly aforesaid, the money so received by the city treasurer shall be applied semi-annually to the sinking fund for the payment of the interest and principal at maturity.

Sec. 4. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 579.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the issue of eight thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars ($8,242.00). Norwood avenue bonds, to pay the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Norwood avenue, from Charles street to Hawkins avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an issue of registered bonds in the name of the city of Allegheny to the amount of eight thousand two hundred forty-two dollars ($8,242.00), to be designated Norwood avenue bonds, in accordance with the act of assembly entitled "An act providing a system whereby cities may pave streets and alleys, pay the cost thereof by the issue of bonds and collect the same from the property benefited, in installments," approved June 12, 1893, and the same be and is hereby authorized and directed.

Sec. 2. Said bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars or multiples thereof, payable in five years from January 1, 1903, with interest thereon at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually at the office of the city controller, in the city of Allegheny, Pa., and the principal thereof payable at maturity at the same place. Said bonds to be signed by the city recorder and the treasurer and countersigned by the comptroller and sealed with the corporate seal of the city, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied exclusively for the payment of the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Norwood avenue, from Charles street to Hawkins avenue, and for no other purpose whatsoever. Said bonds to be issued and sold to the sinking fund commission of the city of Allegheny at par.

Sec. 3. Upon the collection of the cost of said grading, paving and curbing of Norwood avenue in the manner presented in the act of assembly aforesaid, the money so received by the city treasurer shall be applied semi-annually to the sinking fund for the payment of the interest and principal at maturity.

Sec. 4. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 580.)

AN ORDINANCE—Submitting to a vote of the electors of the city of Allegheny the question of an increase of the bonded indebtedness of the city for the payment of the cost and expense of grading, paving and curbing of Drum street, Second ward, from Harrison avenue to Wilson avenue, under the provisions of an act of assembly, approved the 12th day of June, A. D., 1893, entitled "An act providing a system whereby cities may pave streets and alleys, pay the cost thereof by the issue of bonds and collect the same from the property benefited, in installments."

Whereas, It has been ascertained by the councils of the city of Allegheny by an estimate duly made by the department of public works, that the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Drum street, Second ward, from Harrison avenue to Wilson avenue, can be made at a cost of seven thousand four hundred and ninety ($7,490.00) dollars, and

Whereas, Bonds for the purpose of this improvement under the aforesaid act of assembly can only be issued by the assent of the electors duly given at a public election; therefore,

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an election be held on the 17th day of February, 1903, for the purpose of obtaining the assent of the electors of the city to an increase of its indebtedness by the issue of bonds to the extent of seven thousand four hundred and ninety ($7,490.00) dollars for the purpose of effecting said improvement under the aforesaid act of assembly, said bonds to be payable in five years.

The city clerks are hereby directed to give public notice of said election and furnish tickets for the use of the electors in accordance with law.

Sec. 2. The city recorder and the directors of the departments of public safety and public works are hereby authorized and directed to appoint suitable persons to be present at each and every polling place for the purpose of cards for and distributing said tickets, the expense of employing such men to be paid out of appropriation No. 41, contingent fund.

Sec. 3. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 581.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars from item No. 5, to item No. 1, and the sum of seven thousand five hundred ($7,500.00) dollars from item No. 6 to item No. 1, bureau of highways and sewers, department of public works.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars from item No. 5, bureau of highways and sewers to item No. 1, bureau of highways and sewers.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

And the sum of seven thousand five hundred ($7,500.00) dollars from item No. 6, bureau of highways and sewers to item No. 1, bureau of highways and sewers, department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 582.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of one hundred and fifty ($150.00) from item No. 4 to item No. 3, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00) from item No. 4 to item No. 3, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 583.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of one thousand and fifty ($1,050.00) from item No. 4 to item No. 1, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of one thousand and fifty dollars ($1,050.00) from item No. 4 to item No. 1, Appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 584.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty seven ($3,757.00) dollars from item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 2 of said bureau, and four thousand nine hundred ($4,900.00) dollars from said item No. 3 of said bureau to item No. 1 of the same.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of three thousand seven hundred fifty-seven ($3,757.00) dollars from item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 2 of appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, and the sum of four thousand nine hundred ($4,900.00) dollars from item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, to item No. 1, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 585.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the grading, paving and curbing of Drum street, Second ward, from Harrison avenue to Wilson avenue, and providing for the payment of the cost and expense thereof and collection of the same, under the provisions of an act of assembly approved the 12th day of June, A. D. 1893.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the grading, paving and curbing of Drum street, Second ward, from Harrison avenue to Wilson avenue, is hereby authorized and ordered, and the director of the department of public works is hereby instructed to prepare specifications therefor and the said director are authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work in accordance with such specifications, and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

Sec. 2. The city recorder is directed to draw a warrant upon the city treasurer in the sum of six hundred ($600.00) dollars, the same to be countersigned by the city controller, in favor of the said Linwood Brown in payment for said patent device, out of appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, department of public works.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 586.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing David and William Morrison, Jane Pusey's heirs and Rt. Rev. R. Phelan to grade at their own cost and expense, Roscoe alley, Tenth ward, from Norwood avenue to Linwood avenue.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That David and William Morrison, Jane Pusey's heirs and Rt. Rev. R. Phelan, are hereby authorized and empowered to grade at their own proper cost and expense, Roscoe alley, Tenth ward, from Norwood avenue to Linwood avenue.

Said work to be done under the direction and control of the director of the department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

No. 587.

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing Agnes C. Graff and others to construct a lateral sewer on Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same. That Agnes C. Graff, Martha A. Graff, Thomas E. Graff, J. W. Graff, Alfred M. Pearson and W. L. Scaife, owners of abutting property on Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street, be and they are hereby authorized to construct at their own cost and expense an adequate sewer in Home street, Eleventh ward, from Superior avenue to Bartlett street. Said sewer to be constructed under the supervision and subject to the approval of the director of the department of public works. It being expressly understood and agreed that the said abutting property owners shall, upon the completion of said sewer by a written instrument dedicate the same, without stipulation or reservation, to the city of Allegheny.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 588.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the construction of a lateral sewer on Eggers street, Thirteenth ward, from Heckelman street to Lookout street, and providing for assessment and collection of the cost and expense thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the construction of a lateral sewer on Eggers street, Thirteenth ward, from Heckelman street to Lookout street, is hereby authorized and ordered, and the director of the department of public works is hereby instructed to prepare specifications therefor, and the city recorder and the said director are authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work in accordance with such specifications, and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided. The cost and expense of said improvement to be assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania pertaining thereto and regulating the same.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL M'ELROY,
President of Common Council.

ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 20th, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

(No. 589.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and ordering the construction of a lateral sewer on Gass avenue and Alma street, Eleventh ward, from McClure avenue to Woods Run avenue, and providing for assessment and collection of the cost and expense thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same. That the construction of a lateral sewer on Gass avenue and Alma street, Eleventh ward, from McClure avenue to Woods Run avenue, is hereby authorized and ordered, and the director of the department of public works is hereby instructed to prepare specifications therefor, and the city recorder and the said director are authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work in accordance with such specifications, and award the contract therefor, according to the provisions of the acts of assembly in such cases made and provided.

The cost and expense of said improvement to be assessed and collected in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania pertaining thereto and regulating the same.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

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STOCK MARKET CLOSED STRONG

Increase in Commission House Buying and Sustained Strength the Features--Local Securities Fairly Active and Firm.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The sustained strength of the eastern stock market yesterday was one of its most surprising features. The rally which occurred at the close on Saturday, after the appearance of a bank statement that fell below expectations, was generally ascribed to shorts covering, and it was hardly expected that it would continue this week, which will be broken by a holiday. London quotations, however, came higher, and during the first half hour foreigners were quite liberal buyers. Later they turned sellers, and it was at this time that the strength of the market was tested. While the foreign selling was in progress trading merely became dull. When it ceased, the upward movement was resumed. Then the market underwent a second test. Professional traders, believing that the advance had been too rapid, turned sellers, but the offerings of stock were not large, and the recession in prices comparatively insignificant. The dullness became more pronounced, but in the final dealings the market again turned strong and closed at or near the highest prices of the day.

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Another encouraging feature of the day was the increase in commission house buying. This fact seemed to convey the conviction that the change in money market conditions was actual as well as sentimental. For the first time in weeks, the west was a buyer of its specialties, and observers of the market thought they traced the orders to inside sources. There was no particular news affecting any special group of stocks, but all shared in the upward tendency. The strength in United States Steel was gratifying to the bulls, because the public has come to look upon this stock not only as a leader, but its course is closely watched for the purpose of reading the attitude of the great financiers on the general situation. Wall street had a report that Mr. Frick was to become chairman of the board, and that Judge Gary would succeed to the presidency. Pittsburgh had no means of verifying this report, but the opinion here was that no change would be made in the presidency except in the event of the voluntary retirement of Mr. Schwab. The latter, it is understood, has a five-year contract with the corporation, and it is inferred that in the event of his retirement within this period, Mr. Carnegie, who made the original selection, would insist upon naming his successor. It is maintained by some people close to insiders that the affairs of the corporation are being brought into such shape that they can be handled through committees, and that its interests would not suffer even if there were no other than a nominal head. A more potent factor, probably, than gossip relating to official changes, in strengthening the stock, was the report of some of the members of the inspection party as to the condition of the plants, the increase in the amount of orders booked, and the plans for improving the plants as a whole. The common stock advanced to 35⅝ and closed at 35¼, while the preferred advanced to 85 and closed practically at the top. Of the other industrials, Sugar was strong and higher, crossing 130, the rise being accompanied by a rumor that a well-known speculator had been caught short of the stock. Amalgamated Copper advanced on a report that an important meeting of producing interests had been held in New York the latter part of last week, presumably for the purpose of harmonizing the trade. The active stocks in the railroad list were the Gould issues, which received the attention of brokers identified with the house: St. Paul, which closed at a net gain of 2 points, on buying said to be for account of Standard Oil interests, and Canadian Pacific, the latter being active and strong all day. New York Central did not confirm over predictions that the rate of dividend would be increased today, and the announcement that the New York mayor had signed the tunnel franchise bill had no appreciable effect upon Pennsylvania, Reading, the Eries, and some of the other lower-priced issues, were active and closed at substantial gains.

Call money rates ranged between 5 and 6 per cent, and closed unchanged. While the feeling in regard to the course of the market during the remainder of the year is free from the apprehension that prevailed a few weeks ago, it is recognized that this week will likely witness much shifting of loans; that the occurrence of the holiday on Thursday, the broader speculation, and the fact that loans made Friday will carry over until the following Monday, will increase the demand for money, and that a temporary flurry in rates would not be unnatural. One of the incidents of the day was the deposit of $350,000 currency with the sub-treasury for transfer to New Orleans. The shipments to the latter market recently have been quite large, which may possibly be responsible for the absurd rumor current in Wall street to the effect that the bulk of the $50,000,000 "emergency pool" organized last week would be utilized in accelerating shipments of cotton to prime markets, with the view to depressing the price and stimulating exports, in order to increase the supply of cotton bills with which to liquidate our foreign indebtedness. The cotton market was only fractionally lower. Since last Friday the banks have gained $937,000 through sub-treasury operations.

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On the Pittsburgh board there was a fair degree of activity, the sales reaching 5,132 shares stock and $4,000 bonds. The tone of the market was steady to firm, and nearly every important change was in the nature of a net gain. The dealings were unusually well distributed, the largest total for any single stock being less than 700 shares. Crucible Steel sold at the uniform price of 19. The preferred was also unchanged at 83¾@83¾. United States Steel common closed 1 per cent higher at 35¼ and the preferred ¾ higher at 85½. National Fire Proofing sold at 25½@25⅝, and closed at 25½. The preferred stock was nominally unchanged at 36¾@37. Westinghouse Electric was strong, the first preferred selling at 100 and the second preferred advancing to 97¾. There was also a better demand of Airbrake than for some time past, the stock selling at 175@176½. Just before the close of the market there was some selling pressure on Pittsburgh Brewing, which depressed the common to 30 and the preferred to 46½. Window Glass also sold off a fraction, while Pittsburgh Plate Glass advanced to 135 bid ex-dividend. Pittsburgh Coal sold at 28¼@28⅜, and at the close a trader offered to buy or sell 500 shares at 28½. Bank stocks were dull but firmer in the bid prices.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 5,132 shares stock and $4,000 bonds. Sales:

10 a. m. to 10:30 a. m.

12 P. Coal pfd.	87	100-20-50 U.S.S.c.	34¾
8-50 do	87	50 U. S. S. pfd.	84⅜
50 Brewing com.	30¾	10 do	85¼
10 F. Proof. pfd.	37	10 Brewing pfd.	46½
100 Crucible. pfd.	83¾	50 Crucible com.	19
200 U. S. S. pfd.	84⅞	50 F. Proof. com	25¼

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

1 F. Proof. pfd.	37	80 Electric 24s	97
50-50 do	36¾	50-25 do	97½
100 do	36⅞	50 Brewing com.	30¼
10 U. S. S. com.	35⅛	10 do	30¼
5 P. Coal pfd.	87	50 W. Glass com	52½
25-6 do	87	30-100 do	52½
15 Federal N. B.	148½	25-25 do	52
50 Crucible pfd.	83¾	140 Amer. Trust	147
15-20-5 do	83⅞	50 P. Coal com.	28⅜
10 do	83¾	50 do	28⅜
20-50 do	83⅞	25 F. Proof. com.	25¾
20 Electric 1sts.	106	10-50 do	25⅝
50 Crucible com.	19	60-40 do	25½
200 do	19	15 R. E. Trust	283½
30 U. S. S. pfd.	85	5 R. Coal pfd.	40½
100 do	84¾	25 do	40¾
10 Electric 24s.	94½	10 D. S. F. & T.	28⅝
30-20 do	96½		

12:30 p. m. to 2 p. m.

50 P. Coal pfd.	87	5 Federal N. B.	148½
10 do	87	10-10 do	149¼
25 Brewing com.	30¾	10 R. E. Trust	283½
90 Amer. Trust	149	100 F. Proof. com.	25⅞
15-25 do	148	10 Crucible com.	19

2 p. m. to 3 p. m.

100 F. Proof. com	25⅝	50 U. S. S. pfd.	84¼
50 do	25⅝	12 U. S. S. pfd.	85⅜
25 Electric 24s.	97¾	100 P. Coal com.	28⅜
5 do	97½	100 do	28⅝
100 do	97⅝	50 do	28½
50 Crucible com.	19	100 Brewing pfd.	46½
25 do	19	100 do	46¾
50 S. & R. pfd.	18	50 F. Proof. pfd.	36⅞
100 do	18	50 do	36⅝
10 Federal N. B.	149	50 do	37
10 W. Airbrake	175	200 U. S. S. com.	35¼
10-50 do	176	25 do	35¼
20-30-25-25 do	176½	30 Safe D. & T.	117
50 R. Coal pfd.	40½	20 R. E. Trust	283½
50-15 do	40¾	50 Brewing com.	30¼
50 W. Glass pfd.	87½	140-20-5 do	30
10 do	87	10 Peoples Trust	110
3 do	87¼	50 Crucible pfd.	83¾
10 U. S. S. pfd.	84⅞	5 P. Coal pfd.	87

Bonds, Etc.

$4,000 R. Coal 6s. 113

Summary.

Shares.		High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
350	Brewing	30⅜	30	30	-⅛
210	Do preferred	46¾	46¾	46¾	-⅛
275	Crucible Steel	19	19	19	0
320	Crucible pfd.	83¾	83¾	83¾	0
485	Fire Proofing	25⅝	25½	25⅝	0
321	Do preferred	37	36⅞	37	+¼
350	Pgh. Coal	28⅜	28½	28⅜	-⅛
170	Do preferred	87	87	87	0
155	Riv. Coal pfd.	40¾	40½	40¾	+¼
150	P.S. & R. pfd.	18	18	18	-4
635	U. S. Steel	35¾	34⅞	35¼	+1
202	Do preferred	85¼	84¾	85½	+⅝
176	W. Airbrake	176½	175	176½	0
20	W. Elec. 1sts.	100	100	100	+5
845	Do 2ds	97⅜	96½	97⅝	+1⅜
230	Win. Glass	52¾	52	52	-¾
63	Do preferred	87½	87	87½	-½
140	Amer. Trust	148	148	148	-½
10	D. S. F. & T.	28⅝	28⅝	28⅝	+½
90	Fed. N. B.	149	148½	149	+1
10	Peoples Trust	110	110	110	+2
45	R. E. Trust	283½	283½	283½	0
30	Safe D. & T.	117	117	117	+2
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BONDS.

$4000	Riv. Coal 6s	113	113	113	+½

*Less than 10 shares. †New high mark.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Pgh. Bks.			Mining.		
Ally. Nat.		135	Hidalgo		6½
Arsenal	150		Lister	12	
Bk. of Pgh.		134	Traction.		
Columbia	442	455	Ally. Trac.	48½	
Manufac	120		Railroads.		
Mon. Nat.	128½		A. Val. pfd.	29½	30
W. S. & D.	117	120	Electric.		
Fed. Nat.	148	149½	West. 2d pf.	97⅝	
Trust Cos.			Miscel.		
American	148	148½	Crucible	19	19⅛
Pa. Trust		270	Do pfd.	83½	83⅞
Real Estate	284		Marsden	4	4⅝
S.D. & T.	116	118	Mon. Water		40
Pgh. Nat.		235	N. F. Proof.		25½
Ally. Bks.			Do pfd.	36⅜	45¾
Ally. Trust	150½		Phila. Co.	45¾	46¼
B. of S.	92⅜		Do pfd.		49
D.S.F. & T.	284		W. Airbrake	176	176½
Nat. Gas					
M. L. & H.	88	91			

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

STOCKS.					
Miscel.			Pgh. Coal	28½	28⅝
A.W. Glass	51½	51⅝	Do pfd.	86¾	87
Do pfd.		87½	*Pgh. Gas	135	
Consolidated	44		S. & R. pfd	17½	
Con. Ice	9¼	12½	U. S. Steel	35	
Do pfd.		37	Do pfd.	85	
			BONDS.		

*Ex-dividend.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

The rumor-mill yesterday made a fairly good output. It started preliminary negotiations for the absorption of the Crucible Steel Company by the United States Steel Corporation, and also had the latter looking over the ground for the absorption of the two local coal combinations. Since the big corporation absorbed the Union Steel Company the rumormongers have been busy helping it to acquire other properties among these also being the Republic Iron & Steel Company. The United States Steel Company, however, has been successful in keeping its intention secret until it was ready to make the announcement through the Associated Press, and if it is contemplating any of the numerous deals attributed to it, the public will have little opportunity to discount the effects in the stock market. More than a year ago it is understood there were some informal negotiations for the absorption of Crucible Steel, but nothing came of them, the selling price being too high. Since then the company has added to its plant the Jones & Laughlin model furnaces at Clairton, and the only thing that would give plausibility to the revival of negotiations is the fact that the United States Steel Corporation has contemplated the erection of additional furnaces, and might be disposed to take over Crucible in order to get the immediate use of the new furnaces, which are understood to have a capacity in excess of the present requirements of the company. The fact that the Crucible has recently fortified itself in the matter of acquiring additional ore lands is also a point which the rumormongers cite as an important consideration. However, Fourth avenue did not take much stock in the rumor, and there was no movement in the market to indicate that it had any foundation. The absorption of the two coal combinations, it is known that some of the larger holders of the latter were "rounded" some months ago as to their views on values, but the talk did not reach the dignity of actual negotiations.

Just before the close of the local market yesterday R. C. Hall offered a block of 500 shares Pittsburgh Coal at 28⅝. Mustin offered 500 shares at 28½, later bid that price for 500 shares, and finally offered to buy or sell 500 shares at 28½.

Sproul & Co. and Robinson Bros. were buyers of United Gas Improvement. Dilworth Bros. and Hill & Co. were among the sellers.

Crawford & Eberman were sellers and Masten & Co. and Stoney buyers of Real Estate at 284 to 285. At the close the stock advanced to 284 bid.

Hall was the principal seller of Brewing common and preferred, and Whitney & Stephenson, Wettengel and Hill & Co. were buyers.

Westinghouse Electric first preferred advanced to the equivalent of 101 in New York yesterday. A small lot sold here at 100. The second preferred was also firm and higher.

Philadelphia Company was nominally quoted at 34¼@34⅝ for common, and for preferred was offered at 49. The stock has not been affected to any great extent by the application of the City Electric Company for a franchise to compete with the company.

McMullin was the principal seller of Airbrake, and Morris, Brown & Co. and Robinson & Orr bought.

Word was received in Pittsburgh yesterday of the completion of the Whitney railroad, running from New London, N. C., to the Yadkin river. The party of financiers and business men who were the guests of Messrs. Whitney & Stephenson at Cold Hill, N. C., a little more than a year ago, will recall that the road was projected for the purpose of carrying ore from the gold mines of the Whitney Reduction Company to the site for the electrical power plant that is to be erected at the Falls of the Yadkin. Also for carrying the granite from the mines of the same company to a point on the Southern railway, with which the Whitney road connects. The inspection of the new road was made by Major Thomas P. Lee, chief engineer of the Seaboard Air Line; Mr. Peterin, chief engineer of the Tennessee Central, and Messrs. Wells and Parsons, of the Southern railway, and all agree in saying that in every particular it is the finest piece of railroad in the entire south. The mining and power plant enterprise of the Yadkin valley, which is owned by Messrs. Whitney & Stephenson, is one of the most important in the south that is being developed exclusively by northern capital. Many hundreds of thousands of dollars have already been expended in the purchase of land, the sinking of shafts, the opening of granite quarries and the building of this railroad, and when the plans are completed the enterprise will represent an investment of several million dollars. In speaking of the road yesterday Mr. George I. Whitney said: "We have not been making any noise about what is being accomplished in the Yadkin valley, but we have not been idle. The work is being done thoroughly and we are talking with our money our faith in the enterprise."

Penney was a seller of Fire Proofing to Long and Milliken. The latter was also a buyer of Window Glass.

Lawrence & Co. were buyers of River Coal bonds.

Subscription rights on Fidelity Title & Trust were offered at $100, with $25 bid.

Speer Bros. sold Pittsburgh Stove & Range preferred to Carothers & Co. and Hill & Co. McKelvy was a seller of Crucible Steel to Patrick.

Members of the Pittsburgh stock exchange are taking more than ordinary interest in the forthcoming election. The contest is on the presidency, Messrs. Crawford and Carothers being the candidates, and yesterday several wagers were made by adherents of each on the success of their respective candidate.

Monongahela National bank was a fraction higher at 298½ bid. There was no offerings of the stock.

Pittsburgh Reduction was quoted at 306 bid.

The directors of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company have declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable January 2. The stock was firmer, advancing to 155 bid, ex-dividend.

Sales of Allegheny Valley preferred were reported in Philadelphia at 30.

The gross earnings of the Panhandle railroad for November increased $41,931, and the net decreased $207,453.

Stockholders of the Ohio Connecting railroad have voted to increase the capital stock from $1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

At the close of the market Wettengel bid 30 for 500 shares Pittsburgh Brewing common.

The German National bank of Allegheny is presenting its customers with a seasonable reminder in the shape of a combination desk calendar and thermometer.

The Belt Railroad & Stock Yard Company of Indianapolis has declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent and an extra dividend of 1 per cent, payable January 1.

Wall street had a rumor yesterday that Mr. John W. Gates had been caught short of Sugar. The largest buyers of the stock were Ladenburg and Van Emburg.

It is reported that an agreement between the Amalgamated Copper management and the Helroe Interests is near at hand, and Amalgamated was the object of what appeared to be good buying.

"Inquiry as to just what the stock market pools—lately the center of discussion—are now doing, how far they figure in this week's rise and what their plans for the future are, brought to light an interesting fact. There are, it was agreed by all well-posted stock exchange people, two classes of pools, one of which has been comparatively idle for some time. Unless mobney conditions change radically for the better these operations may do little for some time to come. In this category fall most of the pools which have not been able to renew their time loans, or have renewed only a small part of them, and which have been cautioned by the banks to keep quiet so as not to expand their obligations. The other class includes pools controlled or assisted by powerful financiers, who are influential with banks and trust companies. These pools, it was asserted, can command what money is available. It was the stocks controlled by these interests that led this week's rise in prices and were the most active. It was generally thought yesterday to be the program even of these pools not to allow the market to 'run away' and to keep loans within narrow bounds."—New York Evening Post.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges decreased over $900,000 for the day.

Better feeling in the stock market and prices closed firmer.

Westinghouse Electric first preferred sold at 100, and the second preferred at 97¾.

Airbrake advanced to 176½ and closed firm.

United States Steel common and preferred closed a point higher.

Brewing common declined to 30, and the preferred to 46½.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day, 749,600 shares.

Sugar closes at 129½ after wide range.

United States Steel stocks are strong feature of market.

Time money is easier and helps market.

More strength and breadth is shown than for some time.

Bonds strong; total sales (par value), $3,020,000.

THE MONEY MARKET.

There is no change in the local money market. The rate on call and time loans remains firm at 6 per cent. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Monday	$6,341,857 38	$1,311,692 15
Last week	6,271,848 04	1,317,708 49
Last year	7,208,841 15	1,311,985 86

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Exchanges, $137,401,379; balances, $7,490,773.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Exchanges, $17,116,773; balances, $1,250,397; call loans, 5½@6½ per cent; time 5@6 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—Clearances, $15,838,774; balances, $2,782,170; money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22.—Clearings, $3,456,310; balances, $537,424; money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Clearings, $33,267,559; balances, $3,141,373; New York exchange, 25c premium; posted exchange, $4 84@4 87½.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22.—Money, 6 per cent; New York exchange, 10c discount; clearings, $4,586,550.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Clearings, $3,062,487; balances, $1,185,920; money on call, 5@8 per cent; New York exchange, 60c premium.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $211,371,224; gold, $120,049,855; silver, $6,455,886; United States notes, $2,923,-870; treasury notes of 1890, $99,551; national bank notes, $15,021,935. Total receipts this day, $2,113,259; total receipts this month, $35,706,-268; total receipts this year, $277,191,417; total expenditures this day, $1,645,000; total expenditures this month, $28,685,000; total expenditures this year, $257,011,227; deposits in national banks, $150,251,597.

Movements of Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Total payment by government to New York banks today, $1,500,000; payment by banks to government, $3,074,000; balance on the day's transactions, $4,060, paid by banks to government; total net payment by government to banks since Friday, $1,000,000; against $4,060 paid by banks to government for the corresponding period a week ago and $203,000 paid by government to banks a year ago. No payments were made by the sub-treasury today for gold imported on the Pacific coast.

Foreign Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Money, 5¾@4 per cent; discount for short bills, 4 per cent; three months' bills, 3 5-16@4 per cent. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £22,000.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Three per cent rentes, 99 francs 50 centimes for the account; exchange on London, 25 francs 14½ centimes for checks.

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 42½ pfgs. for checks; discount rates, short bills, 2½ per cent; three months' bills, 3⅝ per cent.

Money on Call Firm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Money on call firm at 5½@6 per cent; closing, 5@6 per cent; time money easy; 60 days, 6 per cent; 90 days and 6 months, 5@5½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent; sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86.25@ for demand and at $4 82.87½@4.83 for 60 days' bills; posted rates, $4 84 and $4 87½; commercial bills, $4 82½@4 83½; bar silver, 48⅝c; Mexican dollars, 35¾c.

Turpentine and Rosin.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec. 22.—Turpentine firm, 52c. Rosin firm; A, B, C, D, $1 45; E, $1 50; F, $1 55; G, $1 70; H, $2 00; I, $2 35; K, $2 85; M, $3 35; N, $3 40; W. G., $3 40; W. W., $3 40.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 22.—Spirits turpentine firm, 52c. Rosin firm, $1 35@1 40. Crude turpentine firm, $1 75@3 00. Tar firm, $1 60.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices as reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building, Members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
24200	A., T. & S. F.	83¼	83⅝	83	83⅝
6400	Do preferred	98⅝	99⅛	98⅜	99⅛
	Amer. Cotton Oil	44⅝	47¼	44⅛	46⅝
	Do preferred				98
67200	Amer. Sugar Ref.	128½	130⅝	128½	129½
	Do preferred				120
1700	Am. Locomotive	28	28⅜	28	28¼
300	Do preferred	94	94	94	93½
900	Am. Car F'dry.	34¾	34⅝	34¼	34½
	Do preferred				89½
	American Cha.				9
	Do preferred				42½
329000	Amal. Copper	58¼	59⅝	57⅝	59⅛
1600	Anaconda Copper	88⅝	89	88⅛	89
709	Am. Smelt & Ref	39⅜	40	39⅜	41
	Do preferred				92½
	American Ice	10⅜	10⅝	10⅜	10⅜
	Do preferred	39	39	39	39½
16100	Balt. & Ohio	98⅛	99¼	98¼	99⅛
16300	Do preferred				92½
	Brook Rap. Tran	64⅝	65⅝	64⅜	65⅞
20050	Canadian Pacific	128¾	130⅝	128¾	130⅜
3200	Ches. & Ohio	24⅝	25	24⅝	24⅝
300	Consolidated Gas	211⅜	211⅜	211⅜	211
1700	C., C., C. & St. L.	95⅞	96⅝	95⅞	96
2700	Chic. & Ohio	47	47⅜	46⅞	47
1700	Chic. & Alton	32	33	32	32⅝
500	Do preferred	71	71	70⅝	70⅝
900	Chi. & Northw'n	216	217⅛	216	217
2000	Col. Fuel & Iron	80	81	80	80⅝
	Cons. Product	30⅜	31	30⅛	30⅜
	Do preferred	82	82	82	82
700	Col. Southern	27⅜	27⅞	27⅜	27⅝
500	Do 1st pfd.	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝
800	Do 2d pfd.	43	43⅜	41	41
650	Del. & Hud.	249	250	249	252
500	Del. & Hudson	163	165	163	164
34700	Erie	34⅜	34⅞	34¼	34⅝
3100	Do 1st pfd.	64⅛	65	64⅛	65¼
2500	Do 2d pfd.	46¼	47⅛	46	47⅛
800	General Electric	178			177
* 500	Hocking Valley	98	98	97½	97½
*1000	Do preferred	96¾	99⅜	96	96⅝
2500	Illinois Central	144⅜	145	143⅝	144⅝
100	Iowa Central	38⅜	38⅝	38⅜	38
500	Do preferred	68⅛	69	68⅛	68⅜
300	Internat. Paper	18¾	18⅝	18¼	18
	Do preferred				70½
500	L. E. & W.	48	49	48	48
	Do preferred				115
4300	Louis. & Nash.	124	124½	123	123⅝
4200	Manhattan	147	147⅜	146⅛	146⅜
3670	Missouri Pacific	105	106⅜	105	106⅜
900	M., K. & T. pfd.	56⅜	56⅝	56	56⅜
1300	Metropolitan	140⅜	140⅝	140	140⅜
200	Mexican Central	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
500	National Lead	26⅝	26⅞	26⅝	26⅝
	Do preferred	93	93	93	93
200	National Biscuit	44⅜	45	44⅜	44⅜
	Do preferred	119	119	119	119
4200	N. Y. Central	153⅛	153⅞	153⅛	153⅞
100	N. J. Central	167½	167½	167½	167½
3900	N. Y., O. & W.	29⅛	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝
5100	Norfolk & West.	71⅛	71⅝	71⅛	71⅝
200	Do preferred	91	91	91	91
600	North American	113	115	113	114
	Omaha				150
3300	Peoples Gas	101⅜	102¼	101⅜	101⅝
200	Pacific Mail	39⅛	39½	39	39
100	Pullman	225½	225½	225½	225
1900	Pressed Steel Car	60	60⅝	59½	60¼
900	Do preferred	93	93	92½	92
24900	Penna. R. R.	156	156⅜	154⅝	155⅜
	P., C. C. & St. L.	91	92½	91	92
	Do preferred				101
	Railway Springs	34	34½	34	33⅜
	Do preferred	86	86½	86	85½
70400	Reading	82⅜	83⅝	82⅜	83⅝
1000	Do 1st pfd.	86½	86½	86½	86
500	Do 2d pfd.	77	77½	77	77
41100	Rock Island	41⅜	43⅛	41⅜	43⅛
7800	Do preferred	82⅜	83⅜	82⅜	83⅛
2500	Republic Iron	19½	19¾	19¾	19¾
200	Do preferred	76¾	76¾	76½	76½
400	St. L. & S. F.	70⅜	71⅛	70⅜	71⅛
	Do 1st pfd.				77
300	Do 2d pfd.	70½	70½	70½	70⅜
35100	Southern Pacific	62⅞	64⅜	63⅝	64¼
13800	Southern Ry.	32	32⅜	32	32⅜
220	Do preferred	92⅜	92⅝	92½	92⅝
57300	St. Paul	174⅜	176⅜	174½	176⅜
	Do preferred				192
900	St. L. & S. W.	27	27	26⅝	27
1100	Do preferred	60½	61	60	60⅜
600	Tenn. C. & I.	56¼	61	56⅛	56⅝
32700	Texas & Pacific	40¾	41⅜	40	40⅞
400	Tol. St. L. & W.	28	27⅝	27½	27
100	Do preferred	46	46	46	45
39600	U. S. Steel	34⅞	35⅝	34⅞	35½
15700	Do preferred	84⅝	85	84⅝	84⅞
26900	Union Pacific	96⅝	96⅞	96⅜	96⅝
2000	Do preferred	92¼	92½	92¼	92
200	U. S. Rubber	15½	15½	15½	15½
600	U. S. Leather	12	12¼	12	12
300	Do preferred	88	88	88	88
	U. S. Cons.	23⅝	24¼	23⅝	23½
	*Do preferred	69¼	69½	69¼	69
1900	Wabash	28	29	28	28⅞
1100	Do preferred	42¼	42⅝	41½	42⅜
600	Western Union	85¼	85¼	85	85
	W. & L. E.				24
	Do 1st pfd.				53
	Do 2d pfd.				33
1400	Wisconsin Cent.	25⅛	25⅝	25	25⅛
600	Do preferred	50¼	51	50⅝	50⅝
749600	Total sales.				

Supplementary New York Stocks.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

Sales.	STOCKS.	High.	Low.	Close.
300	Allis. Chal. Co.	19	18½	19

NEW YORK CLOSING PRICES.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	107⅜	L. & N. unl. 4s.	101⅜
Do 2s, coup.	108¼	Mex. Cent. 4s.	78
Do 3s, reg.	107⅞	Do 1st inc.	23½
Do 3s, coup.	107⅞	M. & St. L. 4s.	100½
Do new 4s, reg.	135	M., K. & T. 4s.	98
Do 4s, coup.	135	Do 2ds	82
Do old 4s, reg.	108¼	N. Y. Cent 1sts.	102⅝
Do old 4s, coup.	109¼	*Do gen. 3½s.	94
Do 5s, reg.	103½	N. J. C. gen. 5s.	135½
Do 5s, coup.	103¾	North. Pac. 4s.	103⅞
Atchison gen. 4s.	102	Do 3s.	72⅛
Do adj. 4s.	96	N. & W. con. 4s.	100⅝
Balt. & Ohio 4s.	102½	Reading gen. 4s.	94⅝
Do 3½s.	94	S. L. & I.M.con.5s.	118
Do conv. 4s.	104⅜	*St. L. & S. F. 4s.	97
Canada So. 2ds.	108	St. L. S'w. 1sts.	98½
Cent. of Ga. 5s.	118	Do 2ds.	87½
*Do 1st inc.	75	S. A. & A. P. 4s.	87⅜
C. & O. 4½s.	103	South. Pacific 4s.	89⅝
C. & A. 3½s.	79½	*Southern Ry 5s.	110
C. & O. 5s.	115¾	Tenn. C. & I. 1sts.	101¼
C., M. & St. P. 4s.	113	T. St. L. & W. 4s.	76
C. & N. con. 7s.	133¼	Union Pacific 4s.	104⅜
C. R. I. & P. 4s.	108¼	Do conv. 4s.	105⅞
C. C. C. & St. L. 4s.	78½	Wabash 1sts.	116⅛
Chicago Term. 4s.	86	Do 2ds.	109½
Col. & South. 4s.	91½	Do Deb. B.	76
D. & R. G. 4s.	101	West Shore 4s.	112
Erie prior lien 4s.	97⅝	W. & L. E. 4s.	97
Do gen. 4s.	85½	Wisconsin Cent. 4s.	87⅜
F. W. & D.C.1st.	110	Con. Tobacco 4s.	65⅝
*Hock. Val. 4½s.	109		

*Bid.

New York "Curb" Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproul & Co.)

American Can	9	International Salt	98
Do preferred	42½	N. Am. Gas 5s.	108⅝
Am. Elec. R. R.	4	North. Securities.	110⅝
Am. Steel Foundries	11⅜	Do preferred	107⅝
Brit. Col. Copper	5¾	Otis Elevator	40⅜
Brooklyn Ferry	8	Do preferred	98
Electric Boat	20	Roy. Bk. Pf.	104
Do preferred	35	Seaboard Airline	26⅜
Elec. Vehicle	3⅝	Do preferred

ALL GRAINS HIGHER IN CHICAGO MARKET

Prices Hold Firm Around Despite Holiday Dullness in [illegible]

[By Associated Press to Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Wheat was extremely dull today with practically no outside business. The foreign situation was considered strong. The large receipts and a bearish estimate of the Russian crop were the main bear factors. Primary receipts were 1,261,000 bushels, compared with 880,400 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 1,072 cars, which with local receipts of 80 cars, with one of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 1,152 cars against 1,287 cars last week, and 848 a year ago.

Corn was very dull and easier on the nearby deliveries, but firm for May. Local sentiment was slightly bearish, the weather being more favorable for the movement and the receipts larger. Commission houses reported a dearth of orders from the outside and there was little of interest in the trading. Local receipts were 13 cars, with five of contract grade.

Oats showed more strength than either of the other grains, and a good demand existed for the May option, while the offerings were light. Commission houses were the best buyers of May, but a prominent long also bought freely. A good cash demand was a bull influence, but receipts were larger and had a depressing effect. Local receipts were 279 cars.

Provisions were firmer in the absence of any particular selling pressure and on higher prices for hogs at the yards. Trading was quite active, there being an especially good demand for the May products. Outsiders were the best buyers, and the offerings were supplied largely by packers. The close was firm. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 110 cars; corn, 585 cars; oats, 340 cars; hogs, 27,000 head.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 209 Sixth street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'day's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2.					
Dec.	74⅞	74⅞	74⅛	74⅝	74⅛
May	77⅜	77⅜	77	77⅛	77⅛
July	74¼	74⅝	74¼	74⅛	74⅛
CORN.					
No. 2.					
Dec.	45⅛	45⅝	45	45⅛	45⅞
Jan.	45⅛	45⅛	44⅝	44⅞	45⅛
May	43½	43⅝	43¼	43½	43½
OATS.					
No. 2.					
Dec.	31⅝	32⅛	31⅝	32	31⅝
May	33⅜	33⅞	33½	33⅝	33⅜
MESS PORK.					
Jan.	16 60	16 67½	16 50	16 65	16 60
May	16 00	16 15	16 00	16 15	15 97½
LARD.					
Dec.	10 22½	10 35	10 22½	10 25	10 25
Jan.	9 85	9 97½	9 85	9 92½	9 85
May	9 25	9 37½	9 25	9 37½	9 25
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	8 47½	8 47½	8 45	8 47½	8 45
May	8 00	8 00	7 97½	8 00	7 97½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour quiet but firm. No. 2 spring wheat, 74@76c; No. 3, 69@72c; No. 2 red, 74@74¼c. No. 2 corn, 45c; No. 2 yellow, 45c. No. 2 oats, 32c; No. 3 white, 32c. No. 2 rye, 48½c. Good feeding barley, 29@31c; fair to choice malting, 45@56c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 45; No. 1 Northwestern, $1 23. Prime timothy seed, $3 75. Mess pork, per bbl., $17 00. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 22½@10 35. Short ribs sides (loose), $8 37½@8 62½. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8 62½@8 87½. Whisky, basis of high wines, $1 32. Clover, contract grade, $10 85.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	14,000	14,000
Wheat, bushels	66,800	6,000
Corn, bushels	285,100	80,400
Oats, bushels	278,500	208,500
Rye, bushels	6,100	1,000
Barley, bushels	108,000	12,800

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Flour—Receipts, 27,175 bbls; exports, 14,875 bbls; steady, with a fair inquiry for spring patents. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour quiet. Cornmeal quiet. Barley steady. Wheat—Receipts, 101,400 bu; exports 131,886 bu; spot steady; No. 2 red, 79¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 87c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 87¾c f. o. b. afloat. Options were generally quiet but firm all day, buying motives were rain reports from the Argentine, higher cables, small visible supply increase and renewed export demand. The market closed 3@4c higher. May, 81 1-16@81 5-16c, closed 81¼c; July, 78⅝@78¾c, closed 78¾c; December, 81⅞@82⅜c, closed 83¼c. Corn—Receipts, 88,900 bu; exports, 32,787 bu; spot steady. No. 2, 67½@67¾c elevator and 68c f. o. b. afloat. No. 2 yellow, 59½c; No. 2 white, 66c. Option market was dull today, but steady to firm on cable news, the wheat advance and covering. Closed ½@¾c net higher. January, 53½@54c, closed 53¾c; March, steady, 52@53c; May, 49¾@49½c, closed 48¾c. December, 58¾@60c, closed 60c. Oats—Receipts, 63,000 bu; exports, 1,340 bu; spot firm; No. 2, 38c; No. 3, 37½@37¾c; No. 2 white, 38½@38¾c; track white, 38@43c; standard, 38c. Rye—Receipts, 1,950 bu. No. 2 western, 49½c; track mixed, western nominal. Options very quiet, but steady. December closed 50¼c.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22.—Flour dull; winter extra, $2 80@3 05; family, $3 30@3 40; winter straight, $2 40@3 60; winter patent, $3 75@3 95; spring clear, $3 25@3 45; spring straight, $3 70@3 85; spring patent, $3 90@4 20; receipts, 29,895 bbls; exports none. Wheat, steady; spot and month, No. 2 December, 70¾@71c; January, 70¾@77c; February, 71½c; May, 80@80½c; steamer No. 2 red, 70¾@71c; receipts, 6,767 bu; exports, none; southern by sample, 67¼@76c; southern on grade, 72½@76c. Corn, firm; spot and month, 45@45¼c; January, 45½c; February, 45¼c; May, 46½@46¾c; March, 44c; steamer mixed, 49½@49¾c; receipts, 125,455 bu; exports, 95,275 bu; southern white and yellow corn, nominal. Oats, firm; No. 2 white, 40½@40¾c; No. 2 mixed, 38½c; sales; receipts, 12,253 bu; exports, 90 bu. Grain freights steady; steam to Liverpool per bu, 2½d January; Cork for orders, per quarter, 2s 1½d.

TOLEDO, Dec. 22.—Wheat dull, higher; cash and December, 78c; May, 81¾c. Corn dull, steady; December, 38½c; May, 43½c. Rye, No. 2, 52½c. Seed fairly active; December, $6 67½; January, $6 67½; February, $6 82½; prime timothy, $1 75; prime Alsyke, $8 00.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Close: Wheat, No. 2 red, cash, nominal; May, 76½c; July, 72½c bid. No. 2 hard, 70@70½c. Corn, No. 2 cash, 44¼c; December, 45c; July, 39½@39¾c. Oats, No. 2 cash, 32c; December, 32½c; May, 33¼c; July, 31½c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 22.—Wheat steady; close: No. 1 northern, 77c; No. 2 northern, 75½c; May, 77½c. Rye steady; No. 1, 51@52c. Barley steady; standard, 56c; sample, 55@55c. Corn, May, 43½c.

DULUTH, MINN., Dec. 22.—Close: Wheat, cash, No. 1 hard, 74¼c; No. 1 northern, 73½c; May, 76¾c; December, No. 1, 65¼c; No. 2, 63½c. Oats, December, 31¼c; May, 35½c.

IN THE OIL FIELDS.

Developments in the Lower Southwest have dropped into a lull. The crying need at this time is new producing territory. With a single exception there is no new field in Southwest that have been under development for some months, have been defined.

On Grass run, Harrison county, W. Va., Treat & Crawford's No. 2 on the J. and H. A. Williams farm is a winner. Last week it was salted and the production increased to 600 barrels a day. Since then it has been slowly declining and is now producing only at the rate of 350 barrels a day. The same development the United States Oil & Gas Company's No. 7 on the G. W. Williams farm has declined to 100 barrels a day.

Southwest of Wallace, in Doddridge county, the Carter Oil Company had completed a test on the H. B. Harbert farm and has a gasser in the Gordon.

In the Eureka district, Pleasants county, the Vesperline Oil Company has drilled its No. 15 on F. K. Bills' 180 acres into the Cow Run sand and has a show for a 100-barrel producer.

In the Calcutta district, S. Y. Ramage has completed and put his No. 2 on the Jud Reynolds farm to pumping, and has a very light producer. In the same district Urquhart & Co. have completed a test on the John Brown farm and have a duster in the Cow Run. On Goose creek, Ritchie county, Benedum Bros. have drilled their test on the J. Ross farm through the Big Injun sand and have a duster.

In the Folsom district, Wetzel county, the South Penn Oil Company has given its test on the C. F. Wyvill farm a shot and increased its production.

In Monongalia county, near the Greene county (Pa.) line, the South Penn has completed No. 7 on the Postwart farm and has a show for a small pumper.

Southeast of Rinards Mills in Washington county, Ohio, the Butlon Oil Company has drilled its test on the S. Hedgleson farm through the Berea Grit and has a duster. When the Keener and Maxon sands were drilled through a small show of oil was developed.

Across the river, one mile south of Findly, the Melrose Oil Company has drilled its No. 4 on the Jesse White farm through the Big Injun sand and has a duster. It will be shot in the Keener and an effort made to make it produce more than a salt.

In the Barnesville district, Belmont county, the Ann Oil Company has drilled its test on the Hyde-Major farm through the Berea and has a duster.

In the Joy district, Morgan county, the A. B. Allen Company has completed No. 14 on the Ball Bros.' farm and has a show for a light pumper.

South of Knoxville, Jefferson county, in the new Beech gift development, the Consolidated Oil Company has about drilled through the sand at its No. 3 on the R. A. Warren farm and will not have better than a 5 or 10 barrel pumper. In the same development the Tristate Gas Company has completed its test on the J. H. Cooper farm and has a small gasser.

In the Mt. Morris district, Greene county, John L. Dunn & Co. have completed a test on the John Riggle farm and have a duster. In the Bristoria district the South Penn Oil Company's test on the M. J. Tustin farm is producing 8 barrels a day.

The Philadelphia Company has completed test wells on the William Meighan and Marion Kuhn farms and has two four gassers.

In the Taylorstown district, Washington county, the South Penn Oil Company's No. 2 on the William Marne farm, located 3,000 feet south of No. 1 on the same farm, is producing 10 barrels a day from the fourth sand.

The Oakland Oil Company has drilled its No. 3 on the Richard Mount's farm through the fifth sand and has a 5-barrel pumper. The location is 600 feet north of No. 1 on the same farm.

Shipments and Runs.

Shipments and runs of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana fields, up to and including December 21:

PENNSYLVANIA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
Dec. 21	150,195	Dec. 19 and 20	112,350
Previously	1,850,578	Previously	1,400,246
Total	2,000,773	Total	1,512,596
Daily average	95,275	Daily average	75,629

LIMA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
Dec. 20 and 21	29,977	Dec. 18	74,133
Previously	1,262,928	Previously	903,474
Total	1,309,905	Total	979,607
Daily average	65,067	Daily average	54,423

The Oil Market.

Following are the Standard's credit balance prices for the various fields:

Pennsylvania, $1 51; Tiona, $1 63; Corning, $1 51; Nova Castle, $1 38; North Lima, $1 12; South Lima, $1 07; Indiana, $1 01; White House, $1 21; Somerset, 96c; Lucy, 96c; Barbourville, 96c; Ragland, 55c.

The Producers' and Refiners' Oil Company also quotes: $1 51 for Pennsylvania.

OIL CITY, Dec. 22.—Credit balances, $1 51; certificates, no sales. Shipments, 150,194 bbls; average, 95,275 bbls; runs, 120,440 bbls; average, 76,484 bbls.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CENTRAL LIVE STOCK YARDS.
Monday, December 22, 1902.

STOCK ON SALE.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
J. B. Huff & Co.	18	12	3
S. B. Hedges & Co.	7	7	3
McCall, Rowlen & Newburn	18	12	9
Brinkman, W. E.	16	11	8
L. Dyer & Co.		12	5
F. M. Lafferty & Co.		3	2
J. Zeigler	4	3	....
J. Needy & Co.	21	10	....
M. Huffman	2	....	....
L. Lowenstein & Co.		1	....
Frohm	1	....	....
Totals	100	75	30
Last week	150	50	25

SHIPMENTS.

	New York.			Philadel'a			Locals.		
	C.	H.	S.	C.	H.	S.	C.	H.	S.
Monday	2	8	2	10	4	12	15	12	2
Tuesday	6	12	8	8	8	8	35	20	1
Wednesday	2	7	1	12	2	11	15	10	2
Thursday	2	11	4	4	10	2	12	8	3
Friday	3	12	2	6	7	11	5	7	1
Sat. & Sun.	8	20	4	10	4	3	20	10	2
Totals	23	70	18	47	35	27	102	67	11
Last week	47	84	30	94	45	41	162	111	16

SALES.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday	2,513	7,599	6,683
Tuesday	595	1,665	1,356
Wednesday	66	975	469
Thursday	7	2,947	1,545
Friday	25	3,058	766
Saturday	5	3,211	1,002
Totals	3,211	18,825	11,709
Last week	3,172	25,990	11,824

FREIGHT RATES.

Cities.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
Boston	17	18	18	40
New York	17	18	18	30
Philadelphia	15	16	16	28
Baltimore	14	15	15	27

Cattle.

Receipts of cattle at the East Liberty stock yards showed a falling off of one-third, combined with arrivals of last Monday. 100 carloads coming in today. This decrease in supplies was expected, as demand during the holiday week is not heavy, and there is enough cattle in for all purchasers. Market prices remained unchanged from those of Saturday, with steady conditions prevailing.

Choice, 1,400 to 1,600 lbs, $5 75@5 90; prime, 1,200 to 1,400 lbs, $5 60@5 80; good, 1,250 to 1,300 lbs, $5 30@5 50; tidy, 1,000 to 1,150 lbs, $4 15@4 80; fair, 900 to 1,000 lbs, $3 40@4 00; common, 600 to 800 lbs, $2 50@3 25; heifers, 700 to 1,000 lbs, $3 00@4 00; bulls and stags, $2 00@3 00; common to fair cows, $1 75@4 00; best fresh cows, $40 00@55 00; common to good, $20 00@35 00.

Hogs.

Seventy-five double decks of hogs arrived this morning, more than last week, but less than arrivals two weeks ago. The market was fairly steady, with demand active. Quotations for prime heavies and mixed, $5 50@5 60. At the close of the week, with other grades slightly easier.

Prime heavies, $5 45@5 55; mediums, $5 25@5 40; best yorkers, $5 15@5 25; light yorkers, $5 00@5 10; pigs, $5 00@5 05; roughs, $3 00@4 00.

Sheep and Lambs.

The demand for sheep and lambs was slow, with a little more stock offering than was here a week ago. Quotations all remained unchanged from Saturday's values. Mixed sheep were steady, with best grade a shade higher.

Best wethers, 95 to 100 lbs, $3 80@4 00; good mixed, 85 to 85 lbs, $3 40@3 75; fair, 75 to 80 lbs, $2 90@3 25; culls and common, $1 50@2 00; choice lambs, $4 25@4 50; common to good, $3 50@3 90; veal calves, $8 00@8 75; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Beeves—Receipts, 4,749 head. Steers opened slow, closing 10@15c higher on Chicago advices; nine cars late unsold. Bulls steady; cows, steady to firm. Steers, $4 00@5 60; extra, $5 70; oxen and stags, $3 00@4 50; bulls, $2 25@3 90; cows, $1 50@3 85. Cables quoted live cattle slow at 12c to 13½c per pound, dressed weight; refrigerator beef unchanged. Shipments today were none; tomorrow, 750 cattle, 1,454 sheep and 2,700 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 578 head. Veals steady; barnyard calves and westerns slower, one car westerns unsold. Veals, $5 00@7 50; little calves, $4 00@4 50; barnyard calves, $3 00@3 75; westerns, $2 75@4 00; city dressed veals, 11c to 14c per pound. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 16,000 head. Sheep dull and easier; lambs, 10c to 25c lower—bulk of the sales, 25c lower. Sheep, $2 25@3 90; one car, $2 00; lambs, $4 50@5 80; one car choice, $6 00; Canada lambs, $5 25@5 75; culls, $3 50@4 00. Hogs—Receipts, 12,221 head; market 10@15c lower; state hogs, $6 30@6 40; mixed western unsold.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,500 head, including 550 Texans. Calves, 150 natives. Steady to higher; quarantines higher. Choice export and dressed beef steers, $5 60@6 15; fair to good, $4 65@5 15; stockers and feeders, $2 70@4 25; western steers, $2 75@3 25. Texas and Indian steers, $3 70@4 15; Texas cows, $2 50@3 60; native cows, $1 65@3 30; native heifers, $2 50@3 75; canners, $1 40@2 25; bulls, $1 75@3 15; calves, $2 25@6 25. Hogs—Receipts, 3,300 head; market steady, 5c@10c higher; top, $6 32½; bulk of sales, $6 15@6 25; heavy, $6 05@6 32½; mixed packers, $6 10@6 25; light, $5 85@6 10; Yorkers, $6 05@6 10; pigs, $5 00@5 85. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head; market steady. Native lambs, $4 00@5 40; western lambs, $3 50@4 85; fed ewes, $3 50@3 75; native wethers, $3 60@4 00; common and stock sheep, $2 25@3 00; stockers and feeders, $3 00@3 35.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,250 head; steady; prime steers, $5 25@5 75; shipping steers, $5@5 25; butcher grades, steers, $3 75@4 75; heifers, $3 00@4 50; cows, $2 25@4 00; canners, $1 50@2 00; bucks, $2 75@4 25; feeders, $3 50@4 40; stockers, $3 00@4 00; stock heifers, $2 00@3 00; good to choice fresh cows, $35 00@55 00; medium, $30 00@33 50; common, $2 00@3 00. Veals—Receipts, 75 head; strong, 25c higher; tops, $8 75@9 00; common to good, $5 50@8 50. Hogs—Receipts, 2,350 head; steady on light, strong on heavy; heavy, $6 40@6 50; mixed, $6 25@6 30; Yorkers and pigs, $6 00@6 10; roughs, $5 60@5 80; stags $4 75@5 25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 27,200 head; sheep steady; lambs 5@10c lower; top lambs, $6 10; culls to good, $4 25@6 00; yearlings, $4 25@4 50; ewes, $3 50@4 25; sheep, top mixed, $3 80@3 75; culls to good, $1 75@3 40.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000 head; market 10@25c higher. Good to prime steers, $5 50@6 40; poor to medium, $3 00@5 40; stockers and feeders, $2 00@4 50; cows, $1 40@4 60; heifers, $2 00@5 00; canners, $1 25@2 50; bulls, $2 00@4 40; calves, $3 00@7 50; Texas fed steers, $3 75@5 60. Hogs—Receipts today, 36,000 head; estimated tomorrow, 35,000 head; left over, 7,000 head; market 5c to 10c higher for choice heavy. Mixed and butchers, $5 80@6 35; good to choice heavy, $6 35@6 60; rough heavy, $6 00@6 30; light, $5 75@6 15; bulk of sales, $6 00@6 30. Sheep—Receipts, 19,000 head. Sheep and lambs steady. Good to choice wethers, $4 60@5 00; fair to choice mixed, $2 75@4 00; native lambs, $4 00@5 50.

CHRISTMAS TURKEY PRICES ARE HIGH

No Change Made in Creamery Butter Quotations — Weak Egg Market Continues.

Although receipts in the hay and grain market showed some increase over the average for Monday during the last two or three weeks quotations were firmly held, and no declines occurred in any line. The largest receipts were in hay, but not much of best grades arrived, and the market was not affected as to price. The only quotable change made was in straw, which advanced 50 cents a ton all through the list.

While the wheat situation developed some weakness during the past week, flour opened in good condition yesterday morning, with the range of quotations $4 15@4 25 for fancy spring patent. Jobbers claim to have little trouble in securing the top quotation for best grades, although there are concessions to the lowest point of the range made for good round lots. The wheat market is inclined to be nervous, but flour does not follow all of its fluctuations, as they are not lasting. Lowered figures generally attracting heavy buyers, whose plunging causes prices to quickly react.

Coffee and Sugar Unchanged.

Coffee is in unchanged condition, with New York still the lowest market in the world. Close followers of conditions in matters pertaining to coffee are of the opinion that sooner or later prices are bound to rise, as at present rates growers are raising it at a loss, and are making no effort to plant new trees, or take special care of the old ones. This will mean a reduction in production before a great while, when quotations will go up.

Sugar is firm and refiners claim the raw market is strong with an upward tendency, which will hold refined at present level, if, indeed, it does not advance. The weaker conditions of the week in the East resulted in a decline, were due to heavy unloading of stocks on the market. These have been absorbed and the situation is steadier.

Dried fruits are without special feature, new prunes constantly arriving, which are in active demand. Apricots are firm, and are expected to go higher by the first of the coming year.

Canned goods are in strong position, both fruits and vegetables, and present figures promise to be well supported, at least for the balance of the year.

Turkey Prices Rule High.

There was very active trading in the fruit and produce market, especial call being made for Christmas greens, and no change in prices was made. All descriptions were in request at figures quoted.

Unexpected heavy consignments of turkeys came up the river yesterday morning, boats bringing 2,200 coops of live and 100 tons of dressed. These cost on the wharf for 14 cents live and 22 cents dressed. At these prices the stock was all cleaned up. The market withstood the heavy receipts well and dealers were paying these figures or more for stock all day. It now looks as though there would be enough turkeys, but quotations are likely to hold very strong. The bottom of the market for dressed will not fall much below 22 cents, although there were sales at 20 cents yesterday.

The Elgin board of trade made no change in the price of creamery butter yesterday and local quotations continue same as last week. Fresh eggs are nominally unchanged, but the situation is weak and concessions in price are frequent.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 53 cars hay, 1 car straw, 2 cars corn and oats, 1 car corn and hay, 8 cars corn, 9 cars oats, 3 cars feed, 3 cars rye; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 10 cars hay, 1 car corn and oats; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 11 cars hay, 1 car husks, 2 cars corn, 1 car feed, 1 car straw. Total receipts, 108 cars.

No. 1 tim..$16.00@17.00; do mixed..$13@14; No. 2 clov..$15.50@16.00; do No. 2..$14@15; No. 1 clov..$12.50@13.00; do No. 2..$11@12; Mixed hay..$13@14; Packing hay..$11@12; Straw, oat..$9.00@9.50; do wheat..$8.00@9.50; do rye..$10.00@10.50; Corn, per ton, No. 2 yel..$34; low shell..$33@34; do high mix..$32@32½; do No. 2 mix..$31@32; No. 2 yel., ear..$33@34; low ear..$32@33.

Oats, No. 2 white..38@38½c; do extra No. 3..38½@39c; White mixed..37½@38c; No. 2, ton..$18.50@19.00; Brown middlings, ton..$17.00@17.50; Bran, ton..$17.00@17.50.

HONEY.

White comb..17@18c; Buckwheat..14@15c; N. Y. white clover..18@18c.

GROCERIES.

Flour, fancy spg. pat..$4.15@4.25; do fancy winter patent..$3.80@4.00; do straight winter..$3.60@3.80; do bakers' spring..$3.45@3.60; do rye..$3.00@3.60; do graham..$4.00@4.50; Cornmeal, bbl..$3.05@3.10; do 10-lb. cotton bags..10@20c; Rolled oats, bbl..$4.85; do pkgs..$2.30@3.10.

(Sugar quotations are Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 5 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within a radius of 50 miles of Pittsburgh.)

Coffee, roasted, bulk, Rio..10½@12c; do Santos..22½@23½c; do Maracaibo..17@17½c; do Peaberry..17@18c; do Caracas..19@19½c; do Gol. Rio..15½@14c; do Java..26@28c; do Mocha..25½c; do open ket..40@43c; Syrup, fancy..30@32c; do sugar and cane..25@31c; do 2½-lb cans, doz..$1.00; do 5-lb cans, doz..$1.20; do 5-lb cans, doz..$3.50; do 10-lb cans, doz..$3.50; Maple syrup, gal..60@80c; Beans, prime, navy, bu..$2.75@2.90; do navy, bu..$2.60@2.70; do kegs..$2.85; Oatmeal, bbl..$5.25; do bags..$2.50; Sugar, stan. gran..5.10; do fine..$5.00; do fine powdered..5.15; do 2-lb cartons..5.20; do 5-lb cart. bags..5.15; do 10-lb cart. bags..5.15; do pow'd. XXXX..5.15; do cubes..5.25; do cut loaf..5.25; do coffee A..4.85; do conf. A..4.75@4.85; do No. 1 yellow..4.55; do No. 2 yellow..4.35; do No. 3 yellow..4.00; Molasses, fancy refined..35@36c; do choice..32@35c; do prime..29@30c; do open ket..40@43c; Syrup, fancy sugar..30@32c; do sugar and cane..28@31c; do 2½-lb cans, doz..$1.00; do 5-lb cans, doz..$1.20; do 5-lb cans, doz..$3.50; do 10-lb cans, doz..$3.50; Maple syrup, gal..60@80c; Beans, prime, navy, bu..$2.75@2.90; do navy, bu..$2.60@2.70; do kegs..$2.85; Oatmeal, bbl..$5.25; do bags..$2.50; Sugar, stan. gran..5.10; do fine..$5.00; do fine powdered..5.15; do 2-lb cartons..5.20; do 5-lb cart. bags..5.15; do pow'd. XXXX..5.15; do cubes..5.25; do cut loaf..5.25; do coffee A..4.85; do conf. A..4.75@4.85; do No. 1 yellow..4.55; do No. 2 yellow..4.35; do No. 3 yellow..4.00; for Pittsburgh and Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 5 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within a radius of 50 miles of Pittsburgh.)

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CONFESSED EMBEZZLER SAYS HE WAS ROBBED

Thomas B. Smith Pleaded Guilty to Using Postoffice Money. Then Says Till Was Tapped--Many Cases in Criminal Court.

Thomas B. Smith pleaded guilty in criminal court yesterday to a charge of embezzling $638 11 from W. I. Hoft, postmaster of the sub-postoffice at Twenty-fourth street and Penn avenue. A similar charge is pending in the United States district court against Smith, but a conference of United States Attorney James S. Young and Judge Shafer resulted in a decision to dispose of Smith in the county court. Smith claimed in his confession that some one robbed him by taking some of the money from a till.

Other pleas of guilty were: Ralph Miller, larceny of some razors and knives valued at $22 50 from W. G. Lyon; sentenced to Morganza; James Johnston, unlawful wounding in cutting Mattie Johnston in the hand with a knife, three months to the workhouse; Edward Carpenter, embezzlement of $9 75 entrusted to him with which to pay freight, three months to the workhouse; Mike Morrow, carrying concealed weapons, 30 days to the workhouse.

The indictments against James Lowther, charged with entering a building with intent to commit a felony, by Jane Clark, and J. N. Barker, charged with false pretence by Joseph Steel, were quashed.

Nolle prosses were allowed in the cases of Simon Braun, assault and battery; Belle Lowther, assault and battery.

The acquittals were: Harry Benbach, aggravated assault and battery, William Otto prosecutor, costs divided; John Jakus, aggravated assault and battery, B. Hecht, the prosecutor, to pay the costs; Henry Hacht, assault and battery on John Jacob, defendant to pay the costs.

The following were convicted yesterday in criminal court: Albert McPeak, felonious assault and carrying concealed weapons, charged with shooting at John A. Householder; Max Finklestein, larceny of a sum of money from No. 1615 Colwell street; Louis Meyers, larceny of some clothing.

Says He Was Kidnaped.

Suit was entered by Attorney F. A. Ammon, on behalf of Michael Pigeon, against Eli Beerenkrantz and Max Lichtenstein for $10,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that on September 19 last Beerenkrantz took the plaintiff from the place he worked and forced him to proceed to the place of business of Lichtenstein, after which they compelled him to enter a wagon. He declares the defendants hauled him to East Elizabeth, where they compelled him to give them $75 before they would release him.

Call Switch a Death-Trap.

A bill in equity was filed by the commissioners of North Versailles township against the Union Railroad Company. It is stated that the company has a derailing switch in the public road near Port Perry which is kept open. It is also alleged that it has frequently happened that cars have been forced over the switch into the road, blockading the road, making it a menace to the public and a death-trap to travelers. An injunction is asked for the remedy of alleged nuisances.

Today's Trial Lists.

Criminal court—Commonwealth versus John Severn, Johanna Wasneroska, Silas Ludwig, Jr., Samuel Lungo, Kate Murray, Lottie Turner, James Reed, Nane Winawick, Frank D. Morris, Edward Giancola, Winifred Dunigan, Henry Foreman, John Barrett, Harry Berry, George Halben, Lobodia Lalo et al., Frank Lalo et al., Edward Klein, Michael Seibert, George Zorg, Nick Jacklin, Lucy Haley, Howard Brown, John Farley, George Easton, Henry Griffin, Charles Hill, Jacob McCloskey, Charles McCloskey, Alfred Tattafaro.

Common pleas No. 1—Argument list.

Common pleas No. 2—McCauley vs. McCormick, Goldschlum et al, vs. Borough of Duquesne, Jones & Sons vs. Braun, Webb vs. Winkleboss, city of Pittsburgh use, vs. Watkins, McCrosson vs. Reilly, National Bank of Commerce of Toledo vs. Hughes.

Common pleas No. 3—Equity trial list.

Grand Jury Returns.

The grand jury made the following returns:

True bills—Assault and battery, Anna Derkowski; misdemeanor, E. J. Dunn, Nicholas Miers; aggravated assault and battery, Ward Kelly; "nolle" Mustard et al., Wm. Reynolds; receiving stolen goods, David Levy, Peter Yorionies; felonious assault and battery, Charles Hill, George Easton; selling liquor without license, John Rebisla; perjury, John Spisak (2); larceny, Henry Griffin, Jacob McCloskey et al., Alfred Lafatro, Edward Giancola.

Ignored bills—Entering a building with intent to commit a felony, Patrick Burke et al.; assault and battery, James F. Carey, Patrick Toole et al.; false pretenses, Thomas Revecnewski; malicious mischief, Patrick Toole et al.; riot, Patrick Toole et al.

New Suits Filed.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.

Plaintiff.	Defendant.	Action.
Joseph Schwartz	Bessie Long	Ap.
Louis Rosenblatt	James Cohen	Ex at.
Mary Jane Richardson use	Joseph Richardson	Sci fa rev.
Joseph A. Michalski	George Storey et al., Pros.	
Mike Pigeon	Eli Beerenrantz et al.	Pros.
A. Pitcairn	James W. Orr	Sci fa rev.
Daniel Turley	Mon. R. C. C. & C. Co., Pros.	
Mary C. Snyder	B. & O. R. R. Co.	Equity

COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.

Mary E. Mitchell et al.	Annie Dienelt et al.	Equity
The Chehalis Lumber Co.	Lucas Lumber Co.	Equity
James A. Wilson	William B. Armstrong et al.	Rep.
North Versailles township	Union R. R. Co.	Equity
C. G. Alton	J. P. Linosay	Assp.
Atkinson Realty Co.	Mrs. W. J. Lohr	Ap.
Klinko Barbola	John Tomscanyi	Ap.
Holyck Miholy	Same	Ap.
William Heckenberger	City of Allegheny	Ap.
Julia H. Fleming extrx.	James Ganigan et ux.	Sci fa rev.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.

William L. Sloan	Jacob Shapira	Sci fa mtge.
Pittsburgh Malt Co.	Allegheny Brewing Co.	Assp.
James A. Hearn et ux.	Jos. Hutchinson, Sher.	
J. O. Reneker	Pittsburgh Railways Co.	Tres. City of Allegheny
	T. R. Pittock	Ap.

Executions Issued.

Mary Bodner vs. Samuel Marks, $750; L. F. Hoffman vs. C. Schilling, Jr., $44.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Royal N. Mullett of Warren was discharged from bankruptcy.

Charles J. Heckey of Pittsburgh left a $5,000 estate to his wife.

By the will of Catherine G. Goldbach of Mt. Oliver her estate is left to her children. Attorney F. L. Crosser represents the estate.

A formal order was made dismissing the bill for Victoria Murray against the city of Allegheny, an action over the ownership of a part of smoky island.

John Witherspoon took out letters of administration on the $11,400 estate of William G. Reed, late of Oakmont. Attorney William J. Dayton has charge of the estate.

David Morgan filed a libel against the steamboat J. B. Williams, to recover $85. He claimed he purchased passage to New Orleans, but was only carried as far as Natchez.

In the United States Circuit court the plaintiff was awarded judgment for $1,500 in the case of Barben Fabriken against the Physicians' Supply Company for an infringement on a patent.

In the United States district court the receiver of John Schultz filed a balance of $182 for the creditors. The account of the receiver of Null Bros. shows a balance of $2,320 for the creditors.

A bill in equity was filed by Mary C. and Ida D. Snyder against the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company to restrict it from trespassing upon the property of the plaintiffs on Glosser street.

Decrees in distribution were made as follows: Estates of John F. Haveskorte, $4,933; Samuel McManus, $15 10; Henry Oschmann, $654 45; Bernard Bowan, $295 18; Elizabeth Walker, $131,850 32.

Suit was entered by Daniel Turley against the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company for $15,000 damages. The plaintiff claims to have been injured by a pile of lumber falling on him at Roverton.

John S. Michalski sued Police Officers George Storey and Charles Freeborn of the South Side district for damages for alleged false arrest. The plaintiff alleges that he and a friend were sitting in his home when the policemen entered. They accused him of playing cards, which he denies.

The will of Thomas Lonergren was filed. The following bequests are made: John G., William and Thomas Lonergren, son of Charles Lonergren, $50 each; James and Thomas Lonergren, $25; Mary E. Rush, $600 and $200 in bank stock. The residue of an estate which is not estimated goes to decedent's near relatives.

Judge Joseph Buffington appointed D. M. Anderson of Venitia, J. S. Buchanan of Hickory, T. J. Duncan, James S. Simonton and E. V. Johnstone of Washington and Wesley Greer and Burke Ewing of Canonsburg as viewers in the matter of the condemnation of property at Washington, Pa., for the erection of a new postoffice. They will meet January 16.

QUARANTINE GUARDS TO GET THEIR MONEY

Select Council Authorizes Transfer of Funds to Health Bureau.

A strike of the quarantine guards was averted by select council yesterday taking the necessary steps to provide for the payment of these employes, who have not yet received their November salaries, amounting to nearly $12,000. By transferring $35,000 from the bureau of fire and $25,000 from the bureau of police, select council has provided enough money to run the bureau of health for the remaining two months of the fiscal year, including the expense of maintaining the smallpox quarantine.

A special meeting was held yesterday afternoon for this purpose. The double transfer had been previously authorized by the common council.

The quarantine men can call today at the controller's office to get their warrants.

Director Leslie informed select council that the transfer of the funds would not cripple either the fire or police bureau, and that both would have funds to last until the end of the year. The select council finance committee held a short session during a recess of council and reported the transfer ordinances back almost immediately with an affirmative recommendation. They were passed by a unanimous vote.

Resolutions were presented for $2,500 for steps and board walks in the Thirty-first ward and $1,500 in the Thirty-seventh ward, which were referred.

An ordinance and petition for the widening of Virgin alley from Liberty avenue to Smithfield street was referred to the committee on public works. The petitioners represent the ownership of 1,174 feet of property in Virgin alley. A resolution was also passed authorizing the recorder to sign a petition for the city for the opening of Warden street, in the Thirty-sixth ward.

FINE TRIP IS PLANNED.

Ascalon Commandery No. 59, K. T., Will Go to San Francisco in Handsome Style in 1904.

Ascalon commandery No. 59, Knights Templar, of this city has decided to take a trip to San Francisco in 1904 to attend the triennial conclave of the order. The trip is in charge of a committee consisting of John B. Loeffler, chairman; John H. Armstrong, vice chairman; Charles F. Sheriff, secretary; Robert R. Woodburn and Grant C. Nobbs.

The party will travel in a special train of Pullman cars, and the run to San Francisco will be made in four days. After the conclave the commandery will go to Los Angeles, where a stop of three days will be made with visits to Mt. Love, Santa Catalina island, the Pasadena ostrich farm and other points of interest. Tally-ho coaches will be taken for a three days' ride through the Yosemite valley. Salt Lake City and Glenwood springs will be visited, and after a two days' stop at Denver the party will go to Colorado Springs, where three days will be used to visit the Garden of the Gods, Manitou springs, Seven falls, Cheyenne canyon, Pike's peak, etc.

From this point the journey will be continued to St. Louis, and after three days at the big fair the commandery will return to Pittsburgh. The trip will take exactly 30 days, and will cost $225. It is the intention to limit the party to 100 people.

Railway Bonds.

The attention of investors is directed to the bond advertisement of the Pittsburgh & Allegheny Valley Railway Company, which appears on the financial page of this issue. The Public Trust Company is receiving subscriptions for the sale of $250,000 of first mortgage, 5 per cent, 30-year gold coupon bonds of the corporation above named. They belong to the $1,-100,000 issue of said company and are secured by first mortgage, free of all tax. The interest is payable at semi-annual periods. As a first-class investment these bonds are especially inviting.

Fine Fall Trouserings.
New designs. Exclusive patterns.
PITCAIRN'S, 434 Wood Street.

CHRISTMAS RUSH IS ON AT POSTOFFICE

Extra Clerks Kept Busy. Present That Would Gladden Many Hearts.

The busiest day of many years was experienced in the Pittsburgh postoffice yesterday. All day long men, women and children came trooping in with packages of all shapes and sizes, from the little box, that might contain a ring or gem of some kind, to packages that looked as though a piano might be underneath the wrapping.

To provide against the Christmas rush Postmaster George L. Holliday put on 22 extra clerks last week. Beginning with yesterday these clerks will work double time until the end of the week and the regular men have agreed to work as much over time as the contingency demands.

Along the Smithfield street side of the postoffice tables have been prepared for the purpose of weighing and estimating the cost of packages. A number of clerks were kept busy all of yesterday in this work and the line of waiters was at least 30 strong all the time. Four registry windows replace the one that is generally used and these, together with a money order window, were kept open until midnight.

Postmaster Holliday said yesterday that the work was moving along without a hitch and all the goods could be handled. He said that the incoming rush had not yet started or else there would be a delay in the outgoing packages. The former, he said, would start about Wednesday and would be much harder to handle than that going out. The distribution of packages he said would keep up for about two days after Christmas.

It was suggested at the postoffice that some one could give a Christmas present which would benefit many at a small cost. Each year there are hundreds of packages deposited in the mails on which there are either no stamps or not sufficient postage. Under the strict rules of the postoffice department these packages must have the necessary postage on them before they can be delivered. In past years for this reason many packages were greatly delayed and in many cases never delivered.

Two years ago a well known citizen, now dead, made arrangements with the postmaster to properly stamp all packages. This insured the prompt delivery of all mailed Christmas presents. The amount of such postage was carefully figured out and the gentleman sent his check for the amount.

Last year Postmaster Holliday himself provided for the extra postage, but this year no one has made any such arrangement. This is a thoughtful Christmas present that would bring gladness to thousands. The estimated cost of such postage is about $15.

TRIPLETS CHRISTENED.

President Roosevelt Honored, and Expected to Send a Suitable Recognition.

The Hopkins triplets were christened Sunday afternoon in St. Peter's Roman Catholic church, McKeesport, by Father J. L. Martin. The boy was named Theodore Roosevelt Hopkins, and his two sisters were named Mary Gertrude and Margaret Leotta Hopkins. Meat and Milk Inspector J. J. Murphy was godfather for the children and Miss Annie Murphy was godmother. John Hopkins, the father of the children, was present at the christening. The church was crowded.

President Roosevelt has been notified of the event. It is thought he will send his namesake a remembrance for Christmas.

Gifts Highly Appreciated.

Solid gold spectacles with best quality lenses, reduced to $5.00. Elegant solid gold eyeglasses, with neat chain, $5.00. A rare opportunity to purchase useful holiday presents at less than half price. Must be sold before our removal to the Arrott building on or about January 1. Opera glasses, field glasses, barometers, thermometers, magic lanterns. Will discontinue this line of goods in order to give our entire time to fitting of glasses and artificial eyes.

KORNBLUM'S
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After January 1, at corner Wood street and Fourth avenue, Arrott building, second floor.

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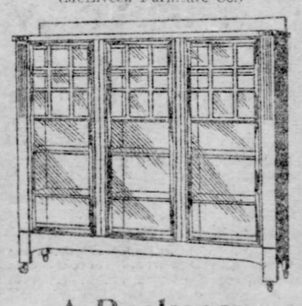

A Bookcase as a Gift

Probably this Bookcase solves the question of what to buy for that bookish friend as a Christmas gift.

Surely there is nothing dearer to the heart of a book-lover than an elegant case in which to keep his literary treasures.

This Bookcase is a treasure in itself—a delight to the eye—an inspiration. Made of golden oak or weathered oak—61½ inches long, 13½ inches deep and 60 inches high.

Some of the Cases of this style have two doors, others only one door.

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It is superfluous to enumerate the many things contained in this stock that are desirable for gift purposes. For everybody who knows anything of the character of this establishment is aware that variety is greatest and prices most attractive at this, the largest furniture house in the world.

Store remains open evenings till Christmas.

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A dollar, no doubt, is the most popular price to pay for a Christmas token. It expresses most successfully a degree of regard which is the happy medium between continued good will and warm affection. When you have provided for those who are nearest and dearest to you, have made provision for the more pretentious gifts, and find you have just a dollar or two left for the less significant present, this list will prove a rich mine of suggestion:

—Silver-back Hat Brush.
—Silver Handle Paper Knife.
—Silver Letter Opener.
—Silver-Top Comb.
—Silver-Mounted Pumice Stone.
—Silver Match Boxes.
—Silver Handle Whisk Broom.
—Exquisite Fan.
—Fine Pin Cushion.
—Ladies' Sewing Basket.
—Gloria Silk Umbrella.
—Black Waist Pattern (all-wool or Cashmere.
—Fur-Trimmed Felt Slippers.
—Men's Romeo Slippers.
—Inkwells.
—Men's Shaving Mugs.
—Fine Box of Papeterie.
—Pretty Dressed Doll.
—18-inch Undressed Doll.
—Ladies' Lace Handkerchief.
—Sterling Silver Thimble.
—Sterling Silver Spoon.
—Collar and Cuff Box.
—Imported German Tobacco Jar.
—Photograph Album.
—Pair of Lovely Garters.
—Fancy Picture Frame.
—Burnt Wood Placque.
—Battenberg Table Center.
—Lowney's Chocolates (2½ pounds).
—Silver-Plated Candlestick.
—Shaving Mirror.
—Handsome Beer Stein.
—Choice of Twenty Recent Copyright Books.
—One of the Standard Poets.
—Handsome Scrap Basket.
—Fine Pocket Knife.
—Leather Covered Memo. Tablet.
—Manicure Scissors.
—Fine Leather Pocketbook.
—Handsome Card Case.
—Bishop Stock Collar.
—Ladies' Handkerchiefs (half dozen in a box).
—Men's Initial Handkerchiefs (four).
—Music Roll.
—Exquisite Perfume Atomizer.
—Clothes Brush, with Dresden back.
—Handsome Hand Glass.
—Three-Piece Toilet Set.
—Necklace of Pearl Beads.
—Set of Military Brushes.
—Lovely Liberty Silk Tie.
—Child's Gold Ring.
—Hand-Made Arabian Lace Collar.
—Sterling Silver Napkin Ring.
—Handsomely Bound Bible.
—Catholic Prayerbook.
—A Man's Fine Hemstitched Silk Handkerchief.
—Jeweled Hat Pin.
—Cuff Links.
—Silver-Mounted Ebony Hair Brush.
—Silver-Mounted Ebony Coat Brush.
—Handsome Brooch.
—Silver Bracelet.
—Lady's Silk Muffler.
—Man's Silk Muffler.
—Smith's Moquette Door Mat.
—Coney Fur Scarf.
—Children's Fur Set.
—Flannelette Wrapper.
—Child's Plaid Dress.
—Child's Trimmed Hat.
—Lady's Ready-to-Wear Hat.
—Fancy China Plate.
—Fancy China Platter.
—Lovely Jardiniere.
—Sofa Pillow.
—Ladies' Kid Gloves.
—Ladies' Silk Gloves.
—Ladies' Mocha Gloves.
—Ladies' Silk Hose.
—Men's Kid Gloves.
—Children's Kid Gloves.
—Ladies' Wool Undergarments.
—Lady's Flannelette Gown.
—Lady's Fine French Corset Cover.
—Dressing Sacque.
—Pair of Aprons.
—Man's Silk Web Suspenders.
—Man's Padded Muffler.
—Man's Tie (English Squares).
—Man's Fancy Dress Shirt.
—Boy's Sweater.
—Woman's Black Sateen Skirt.
—Man's Flannelette Night Shirt.
—Man's Flannelette Pajamas.
—Boy's Knee Pants.
—Boy's Hat.
—Man's or Boy's Plush Skating Cap.
—Man's Soft Hat.
—Table Napkins (1 doz.).
—Bed Spread.
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—Turkey Red Table Cover.
—Hand Towels (1 doz.).
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—Metalochord.
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—Ten Pins.
—Sled.
—Skates.
—Horses and Cart.
—Doll House.
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—Blackboard.
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